

COMMENT OF
THE DAY

Test For Tito

THE impending visit of top Soviet leaders to Belgrade, involving as it does a volte face on the part of the Kremlin towards the "arch-deviationist" Marshal Tito, obviously is yet another manifestation of a new Russian political strategy aimed at "neutralising" as many European countries as possible.

On the face of things, Marshal Tito is going to be an easy subject for his Soviet wooers. The Yugoslav leader has repeatedly declared that he intends to keep his country from joining any blocs, whether they imply political, military or economic commitments.

That is all very well, but what the Russians have not yet made at all clear is their meaning of neutralisation. The Austrian state treaty does little or nothing to clarify this point. None of the states in north, central or southeast Europe, outside of the recognised satellites, approximate to the position of Austria when the treaty was concluded last week. Moreover, the Russians, simultaneously with the signing of the treaty, brought into being a military defensive alliance with their Eastern European friends, which certainly bears no relation to neutrality.

MARSHAL Tito is undoubtedly sincere when he says that it is not his intention to come to any agreement with Moscow that will prejudice friendship with the West, but he is, nevertheless, walking a tight-rope. Russia, as a border neighbour, is a natural country for helping to expand Yugoslavia's trade, and by so doing, bolster Marshal Tito's national economy. But what form will the Russians expect the quid pro quo to take?

Any resuscitation of political ties between the two countries must adversely affect the West and render even more tenuous the recently created Balkan Alliance. This was strongly reflected by the Turkish Prime Minister during his visit a fortnight ago to Belgrade, when he made clear his distrust of the ability of Yugoslavia to give substance to its "neutralist" policy.

Marshal Tito is going out of his way to convince the world that he can resist any blandishments from the Russians, but he has yet to come up against the realities of the visit from the Soviet leaders. They probably will have plenty of tempting concessions to offer, but require payment in some form or another, and therein will come to real test for Marshal Tito. His ideas for neutralism and those of the Russians are likely to prove poles apart, and the Belgrade talks will demonstrate whether the Yugoslav leader can stick to his principles and convictions.

Dr Adenauer Preparing A "Must" For The Big 4 Talks

Turkish Spies Executed Russian Story Of Activities

London, May 19. The Soviet Union announced tonight that it has arrested, tried, convicted and executed "three Turkish spies."

Radio Moscow broadcast a report of the USSR Committee of State Security disclosing the case after all three accused had been sentenced to death.

The sentence was carried out, the broadcast added. The broadcast said that the three men were caught with a mass of "espionage" equipment including "an intelligence radio receiver-receiver of American origin."

It identified the three executed spies as Ismailov, Amir, Kurtmullayevich, Zhelezov, Grus, Giamaili (alias Sultan Yavuz) and Aslanov, Katib Sabit (alias Yazgan Katib).

FOREIGN REVOLVERS "When the spies were detained and arrested," Radio Moscow said, "revolvers of foreign origin with corresponding cartridges, phials with poison, a camera, binoculars, a compass and other espionage equipment were confiscated."

"In addition, an intelligence radio receiver-receiver of American origin, ciphers and codes for radio communication with the Turkish intelligence centre, hidden by Ismailov in the town of Kishinev, were confiscated."

The investigation, Radio Moscow said, disclosed that Ismailov was by origin a Crimean Tatar and had once served in the Soviet Army before he "deserted to the enemy's side" after committing a common crime.

GIVEN TRAINING He was recruited by the Turkish intelligence service "for underground work in the Soviet Union" and "trained in short-wave radio operation, codes, and ciphers, photography and other methods of espionage work," the broadcast said.

Radio Moscow said that Ismailov, after his training, was sent from Turkey across the Black Sea in a special motor boat and landed at Allushty in the Crimea. He was disguised as a fisherman, it said.

Zhelezov and Aslanov, the other two "spies" were both Turkish citizens, Radio Moscow said. They were also trained by Turkish intelligence and equipped with arms, Soviet money and "the other necessary means of carrying out espionage instructions," it said.

The broadcast did not relate how Zhelezov and Aslanov entered the Soviet Union.—United Press.

BOAT DISASTER

Manila, May 19. An inter-island ship ploughed through a seabed off the Visayan island of Mindoro last night and 11 passengers were feared lost, it was learned here today.

Two bodies were found near the disaster area and nine persons were listed as missing.—United Press.

PRESSURE FOR CONCESSIONS Needed To Resist Russian Offers

From DEREK MARKS

London, May 19.

The newly independent Germany is flexing its muscles.

Dr Adenauer is preparing a diplomatic offensive on the Western powers—under the threat that unless concessions are made, pressure to do a deal with the Russians will be irresistible.

Now the fear is that Dr Adenauer is going to demand revision of the London and Paris agreements under which the whole basis of restored German independence was negotiated.

It is now expected the Germans will seek to amend these provisions in order to strengthen their hand in dealing with the Russians.

The argument is that only in this way can Russian offers of restoring German unity in return for neutrality be countered.

It is now accepted in the West that Russia's main foreign policy objective is to build up a neutral curtain stretching across Europe.

Since his arrival last Monday in London, Herr Herwarth, Germany's Ambassador, has assured me personally there is no question of West Germany doing a deal with Russia at this time.

I reminded the Ambassador that nobody thought Germany would do a deal in 1939. . .

End To Mau Mau Terrorism In Sight

Nairobi, May 19.

Britain appeared to be nearing victory today in the bitter bush war against Kenya's Mau Mau terrorists.

Mass surrenders and signs of collapsing morale among the Mau Mau raised hopes for peace to their highest pitch since the three-year-old emergency started.

There were tangible signs that main resistance in the savage little war may draw to a close within the next few days and the Kenya Government applied sharp pressure to hurry it up.

Government security forces handed an ultimatum to wavering Mau Mau chiefs telling them to give up arms or be destroyed in a full-scale jungle offensive.

Surrender fever ran high. Dedan Kimathi, Supreme Commander of the terrorists, still held out in his forest hideaway. But Kimathi's second in command, Stanley Mathenge, has been joining in surrender talks.

NO FURTHER DELAY Mr Michael Blundell, Minister without Portfolio, disclosed to Kenya's Legislative Council yesterday that decisive surrender talks with Mau Mau leaders have been under way for several weeks and have reached a vital stage.

The Government has given notice that further delay is unacceptable, Mr Blundell said. It has posed the threat of all-out military assault unless mass surrenders are forthcoming.

Talks held by senior Police officers with Mau Mau leaders at secret meetings in the Kenya forests have revealed that not all the Mau Mau are willing to quit. But Kimathi's No. 2 man, the 30-year-old Mathenge, is understood to believe further fighting by gangs in his sector around Mt Kenya is hopeless.

Officials have noticed in recent weeks that Mau Mau rank and file has dwindled. Gangs are composed mainly now of hard core guerrillas with murder on their hands.

Large numbers of petty gang leaders and Mau Mau organisers

Paralysing Strikes Threatened

Boycott Appeal By The TUC

London, May 19.

Britain tonight faced the possibility of simultaneous dock and rail strikes at the climax of the campaign for next Thursday's general election.

This situation developed within a few dramatic hours tonight with the breakdown of two sets of "peace" talks.

First, leaders of 15,000 dockers due to strike next week in four key ports rejected a peace formula put to them by leaders of Britain's eight million-strong Traders Union Congress.

Then talks between the British Transport Commission and leaders of two rail unions for a new wage structure on the state railways broke down in disagreement.

Leaders of 70,000 train drivers and firemen who suspended a wage claim strike timed to begin on May 1 said they would "look again" at these strike notices tomorrow.

The parallel industrial crises followed within a few hours a special discussion on labour unrest between Prime Minister Sir Anthony Eden and Sir Walter Monckton, Minister of Labour.

UNUSUAL STEP "The decision by the dock union chiefs against lifting their protest stoppage," led the Trades Union Congress tonight to take the drastic step of calling on all workers to boycott the stoppage.

The dockers are pledged to strike from Monday morning—three days before the general election—in support of a claim to be represented in all British ports on joint committee negotiating wages and conditions.

The TUC chiefs issued their unusual "boycott call" to British workers a few hours after leaders of the dockers had rejected terms for settling their grievances.

The dock union leaders—members of the executive of the National Amalgamated Stevedores and Dockers—denounced the terms offered as unacceptable.

STILL ON They declared that the strike was still on as planned in the four key ports of London, Liverpool, Manchester and Hull.

This threatened strike would be Britain's second big port labour stoppage within seven months.

It would cause serious disruption of the nation's economy and embitter the closing stages of the electioneering.—Reuter.

Charge Against S'pore Govt

London, May 19.

Communist New China News Agency today accused the British authorities in Singapore of taking "repressive measures against strikers and students."

Following the celebration last Monday of certain clauses in "emergency regulations" which gave the police power to order curfew.—Reuter.

After losing his deposit at the last elections with a poll of 153 votes.

Already the farmer has recovered in voters his £150 deposit which he stands to lose if he polls less than one-eighth of the votes in his district.

But for most of the candidates, electioneering is a serious matter. Election expenses, fixed at a £200 ceiling, plus the obligatory deposit, have prevented more than 37 independents from standing.

Of the 630 constituencies, only 150 have presented as many as four candidates. A straight Conservative-Labour fight is the general rule.

One surprise is the large number—22—of "Separatist" candidates. A Scotman is claiming home rule for Scotland, there are nine Welsh Nationalists, one of them in prison, and 12 Northern Irish land successionist candidates, or "Sinn Féiners", nine in prison, not to mention Brownrigg and his Home Rule for Cumberland.

A Swedish woman, who married an Englishman and has three children, has put up in the county of Suffolk. She is one of a number of women candidates, two of whom are entering the arena from opposite sides of the fence at both Coventry and Aberdeen.—France-Press.

Reinforcements For Algeria

Paris, May 19. The French government announced tonight that ten infantry battalions, a regiment of scouts and about 2,000 police would be sent to Algeria to quell the latest outbreaks of terrorism there.

The decisions were announced in a communique issued by a ministerial committee which met earlier today to examine the situation in Algeria where a state of emergency was proclaimed early in April.—Reuter.

STUDENT REJECTS FORTUNE

New York, May 19.

A 22-year-old Yale student was given Court permission today to turn down a \$400,000 trust fund left him by his millionaire father.

In an unprecedented case, Surrogate William Collins "reluctantly" ruled that Eugene F. Suter, Jr., had a legal right to reject the money, left him by the elder Suter, who invented the permanent wave machine. The order cut off Suter from all future interest in the fortune. He has no other income now.

Mr Collins' ruling sustained Mr Suter's formal declaration of renunciation filed on April 12. The student had filed his decision during protests by trustees of his father's estate.

At the time, Mr Suter said he did not want the money "for moral and political reasons."

"I have two hands and a head of my own," he said.

TERMS OF THE WILL Under the terms of the will, he was to get one-fourth of the estate at 30, one-third at 35 and the remainder at 40.

Mr Collins said today that Mr Suter's insistence that "as a member of a free society, with a freedom of choice" he could not be yoked to this inheritance against his will, was supported by law.

"Centuries ago, the Roman poet Lucretius enunciated the truism that what is food to one, may be fierce poison to others. To this date, the gift is not food, but a cup of hemlock which the law cannot force him to swallow. Wealth assumes various forms, hinging on one's sense of values."

"Perhaps the donee is inspired by the philosophy of Seneca that lack of desire is the greatest of riches."

Mr Collins said that "on more mature reflection" Mr Suter might regret his decision.—United Press.

FIVE PERSIANS ARRESTED

Tehran, May 19.

Army security forces tonight arrested five former supporters of ex-Premier, Dr Mohammed Mossadegh, and charged them with anti-government activities.

The five arrested men are: Dr Abdullah Moazami, a former Deputy Speaker of the Majlis (parliament); Baqir Karuni, a former Foreign Minister; Shamseddin Amir Alai, a former Minister of the Interior; Sayed Fakhri and Nikpour Namini, who once worked for a Mossadegh newspaper.—Reuter.

A "Must" For The Big 4 Talks

ATOMIC BOMBS TESTS EFFECTS

Churchill's Viewpoint

London, May 19.

Sir Winston Churchill declared in Walthamstow tonight that one of the first things to be discussed with Russia at top-level talks was the effects of hydrogen and atomic bombs tests.

He told an election meeting that when he was Prime Minister he was assured "by the highest scientific opinion" that nothing that had happened so far had produced any dangerous or injurious effects.

The elder statesman added: "But it does not follow if this process (of H-bomb testing) continues indefinitely over the years that the increased radioactivity of the atmosphere would not be harmful."

"That is what we want to prevent. That is one of the first things we should have to talk about with the Soviets." Referring to the Labour Opposition Sir Winston Churchill said: "What do they think we want this top-level conference for if it is not to try to deal with all the dangers that impend upon the world, and to try to see if a friendly and sensible agreement may be reached which would give the human race the blessings of science without its curses?"

Sir Winston Churchill clashed again with Mr Clement Attlee on the Labour leader's policy towards the H-bomb.

Addressing a crowd of 1,000 he said he was "astonished" that Mr Attlee "would allow his name and authority in the country and in his party to be used in Bevanite (left-wing Labour) propaganda against the H-bomb."

A CHALLENGE Sir Winston Churchill repeated this statement earlier this week that Tribune, the organ of supporters of Labour left-winger Aneurin Bevan had quoted Mr Attlee as saying that the idea of the H-bomb as a deterrent was a profound delusion.

He noted that he had already challenged Mr Attlee on the subject but said that when the Labour leader referred to it in a speech yesterday "he did not clear the matter up."

"On the contrary he only confused and clouded the issue." Solemnly Sir Winston Churchill demanded: "I invite him to declare publicly whether or not he stands by the plain declaration he made in the House of Commons on March 2: 'We are driven to rely on deterrents. That is simply the knowledge on the part of any'

There had been a setback in 1952—a crisis inherited from the Socialists—but since then production has been surging ahead as fast as ever and certainly faster than in the last two years of Socialist government."

He added: "Our gross national product last year was over £1,000 million higher than in 1951—and that is allowing for price changes."

"We have established a record for industrial production far higher than the Socialists. Judging by the output of the first quarter of this year production should be higher still."

He said the Labour leader was attributed as saying that "the Tories the rise in output has fallen by half."

"Now this is a grossly misleading picture of the course of events—and a grotesque distortion of the present situation," Sir Winston Churchill said.

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The China Mail will publish in its big feature-packed week-end edition tomorrow an exclusive full page picture display of Hongkong at the British Industries Fair.

Don't miss this pictorial highlight which shows you some of the distinguished personalities who visited our stand and a number of the Hongkong officials and residents on leave who were seen there by our photographer at this year's Fair of record inquiries.

There are a number of extra-special features in tomorrow's Mail, as well. Watch out for:

★ Robert Mackenzie's second election article—on the Labour Party.

★ An English starlet received a mysterious envelope at the Cannes Film Festival—and then trouble started. Read our new serial, "Ticket to Trouble", beginning tomorrow.

★ How healthy is the Billy Graham cult?

★ The Orson Welles story—by his wife.

These are just some of the highlights. There are many more as well in addition to all your regular favourites . . . all in the China Mail.

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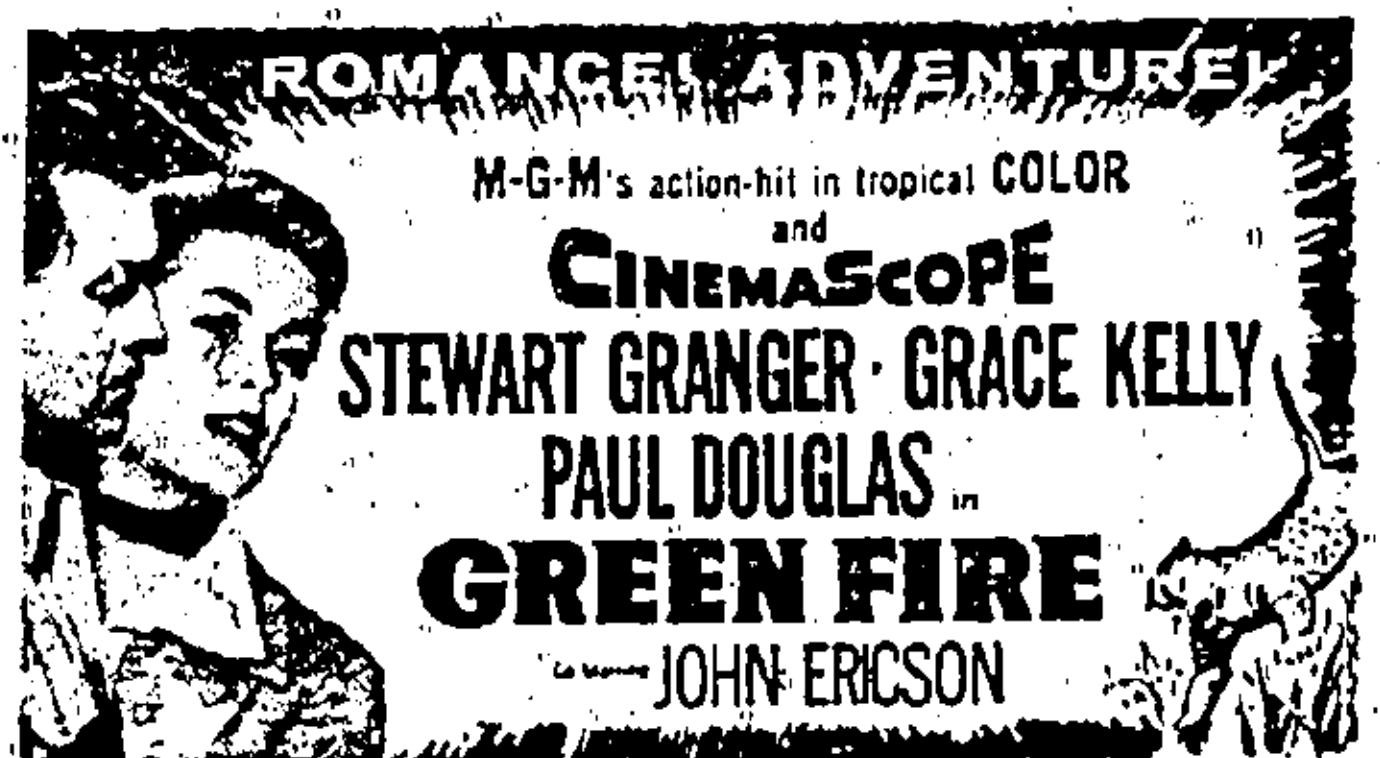


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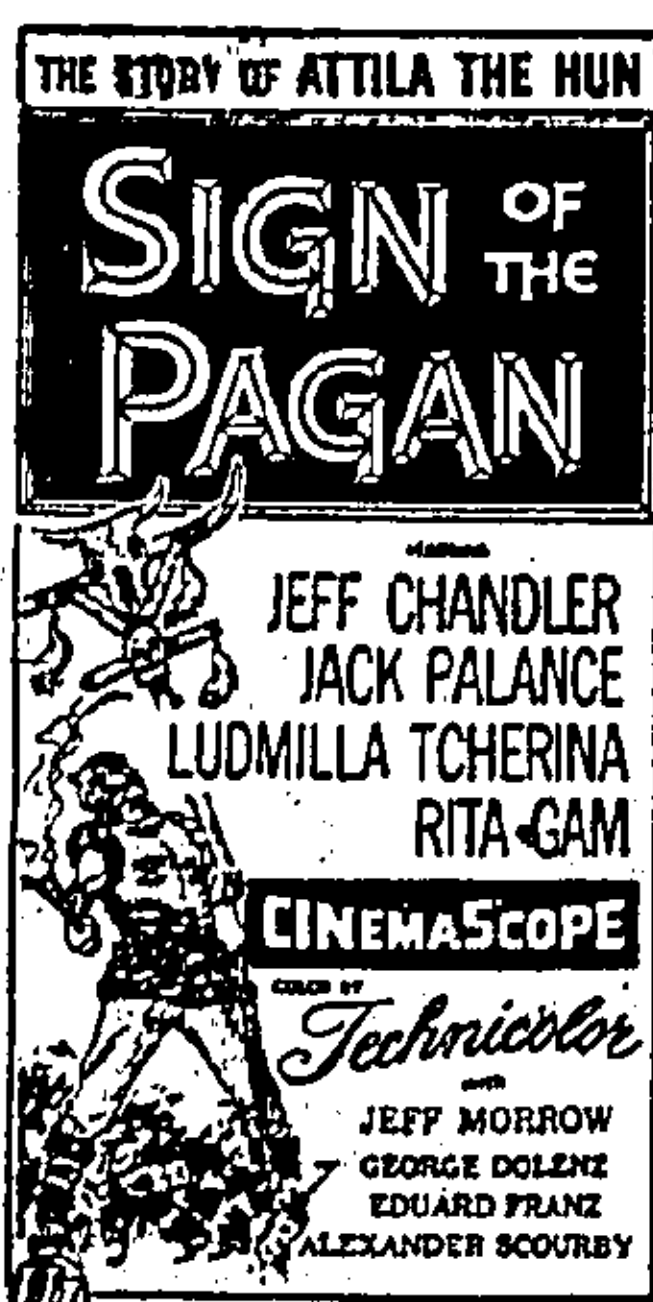


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Egyptian Parliamentary Life Will Be Resumed BUT NO PARTIES

Cairo, May 19.

Lieutenant Colonel Gamal Abdel Nasser, the Egyptian Prime Minister, announced tonight that the transitional period declared after the Army revolution which ousted King Farouk would end in January next year.

"In January next year, we shall have national parliamentary life in which all sections of the people will be represented," he told Army officers at the Officers' Club here. "But there will be no political parties."

Colonel Nasser did not say whether the National Assembly would be elected or appointed. SOCIALIST SOCIETY. Colonel Nasser said: "The aim of the revolution is to create a sound socialist society."

"Our aim is to destroy imperialism, feudalism and monopoly, build up a strong national army and establish social justice and a truly democratic way of life."

In foreign policy, Egypt would fight imperialism and help "liberate" all nations in order to live in peace, he said.

At present Egypt, still under martial law, is a republic without a president or parliament. The Cabinet, which has both legislative and executive powers, rules by decrees issued "in the name of the nation."

Colonel Nasser has acted as head of state since "Major-General Mohammed Naguib, hero of the July, 1952, Army coup, was dismissed as President last November and accused of being the tool of Communists and the Muslim Brotherhood in a plot to overthrow the regime."

Col. Nasser first removed General Naguib in February, 1954, but a revolt in his support among cavalry officers restored him to power.

Two months later, members of the ruling revolution Command Council forced General Naguib to hand over the Premiership to Colonel Nasser and to drop plans for the early restoration of parliamentary life. —Reuter.

Rescued In The Channel



Mr and Mrs Leslie Moore aboard their seven-to-eight ton yacht 'Storming' which lost its rudder in the English Channel on Wednesday. The engines also broke down during a fierce storm. Mr and Mrs Moore, accompanied by a friend, Mr John Townsend, were on a honeymoon trip around the world when they ran into the storm and were rescued by the Southend lifeboat three miles off the pier. The yacht was towed to safety. —Express Photo.

Rush For Beds In Belgrade

Belgrade, May 19.

The Soviet Embassy here was today making busy preparations to receive a delegation of top Soviet leaders including Mr Nikita Khrushchev, First Secretary of the Soviet Communist Party, and Mr Nikolai Bulganin, Russia's Prime Minister, who were bringing a crowd of attendants and secretaries for their talks next week with President Tito.

While it was expected the Yugoslav Government would accommodate the leaders, the Embassy was hiring beds from hotels to convert the big Soviet Houses of Culture into a temporary boarding house for the less important members of the delegation.

Hotels refused all requests for rooms. They were flooded out with reservations from correspondents and other visitors from the West.

MOST POWERFUL. Transport had already arrived for the Russian leaders, the most powerful Soviet delegation to go visiting outside the Soviet bloc yet.

Groups of new black Zis limousines with Russian registration numbers were seen driving about the streets.

While the date of the conference has not been published officially one rumour said it would last from May 26 to May 29.

Besides discussing ideological links between the Soviet and Yugoslav Communist Parties and possible Soviet economic aid, usually reliable sources expected the future of Germany would loom large in the talks.

SWEDISH BOATS FINED

Stockholm, May 19.

The crew of four Swedish fishing boats were fined by a Soviet tribunal today for "illegal fishing" in Soviet waters.

For each ship involved, the Swedes were fined 500 rubles (nominal \$125, though there is no official exchange rate). The crews were halted by the Soviet authorities in the Baltic on April 30. —France-Press.

Fresh Approach To S. African Problems

Johannesburg, May 19.

Mr N. C. Havenga, South Africa's former Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, said today that the latest constitutional developments in the country should be viewed from a "non-party" standpoint. He suggested a fresh approach on these lines to the question of separate representation of coloured voters to which the Government is committed. "I say that leaders of parties and their supporters should attempt to view this matter from a non-party standpoint thinking only of the welfare and peace of the country and consider whether a fresh approach is not possible," he said.

IN REPLY. He made this statement to the Johannesburg Opposition newspaper, The Star, in reply to the newspaper's leading article earlier this week urging him to return to public life to give a lead in the present crisis. Mr Havenga announced his retirement from public life in November last year when Dr Daniel Malan retired as Prime Minister and National Party leader and Mr J. G. Strijdom took over the two offices. —Reuter.

American Production Challenged

Washington, May 19. Mr Robert Anderson, Deputy Defence Secretary, said today Russia was challenging America in production—"the very field of our greatest material superiority."

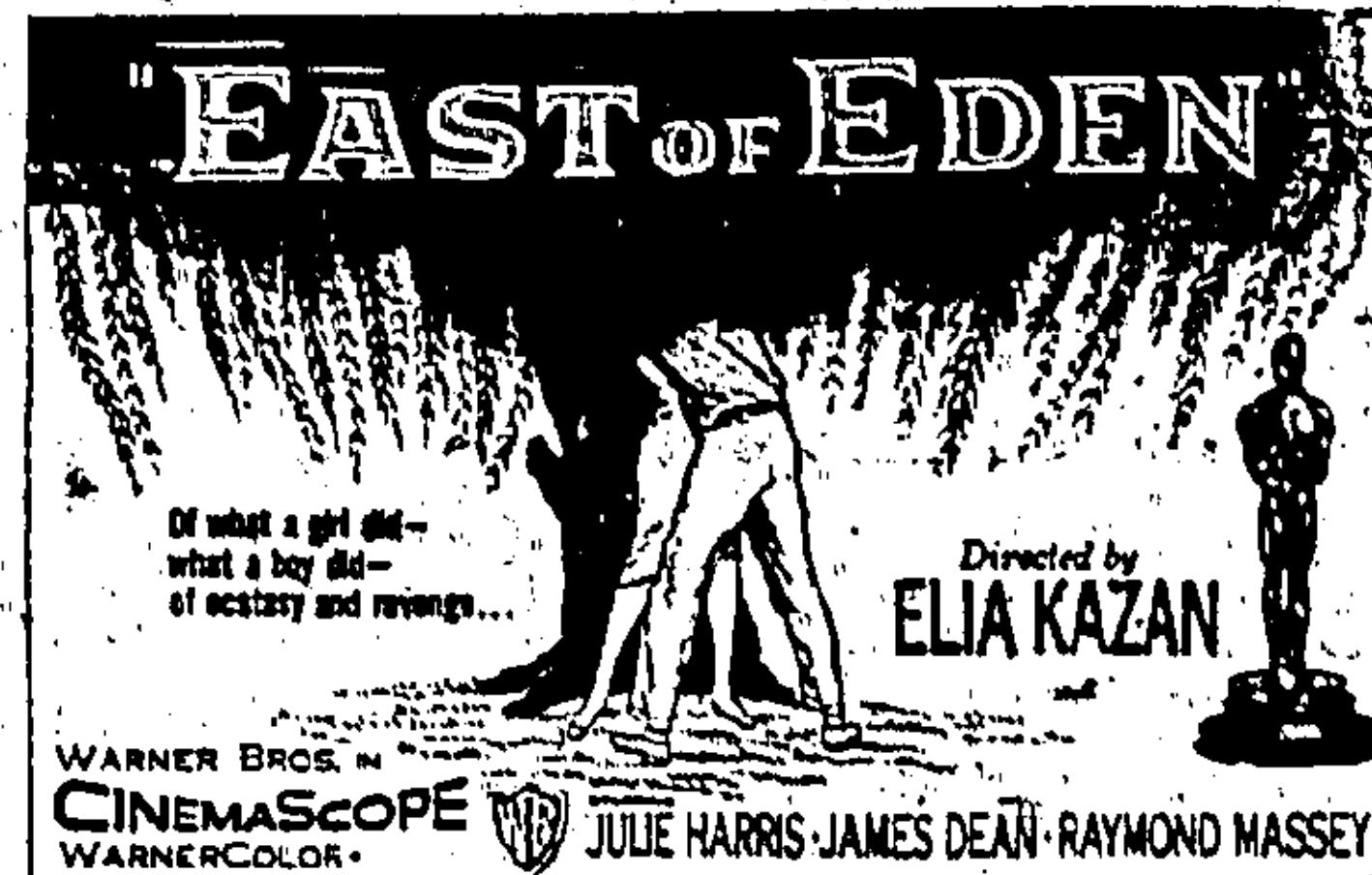
He told the Committee for Economic Development: "We must not let our satisfaction with our own achievements blind us to the fact that in less than 40 years, the Soviet Union has risen from the economic status of a backward feudal province to become the second industrial nation of the world."

He added that in "something as fundamental as production," Russia had expanded her capacity by nearly eight times in the last 25 years. The gains had been "bought at a price in blood and suffering on the part of the Russian people," that was all the more reason for America "to seek the goals of rising productivity by means which reflect the free choice and will of responsible citizens." —Reuter.

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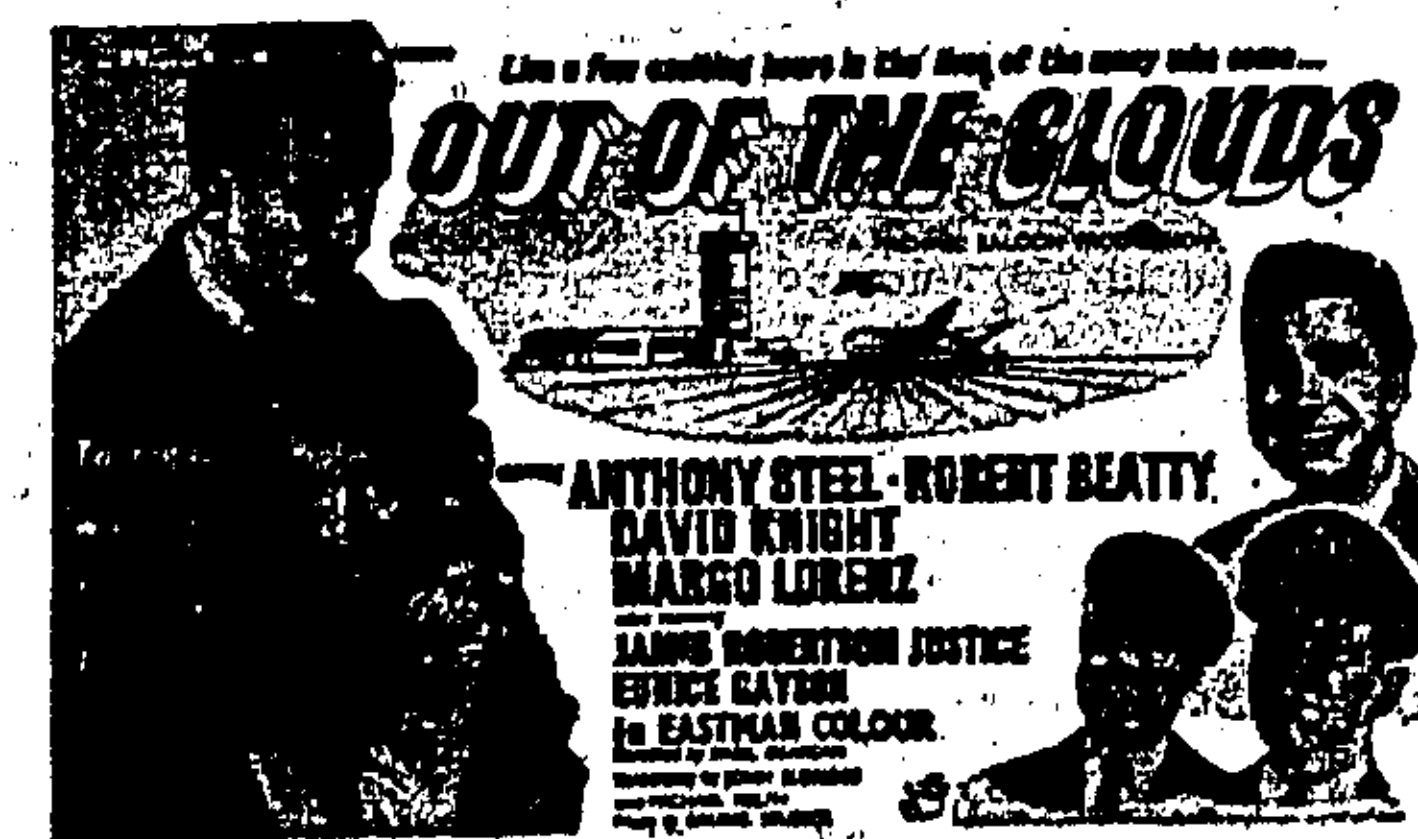


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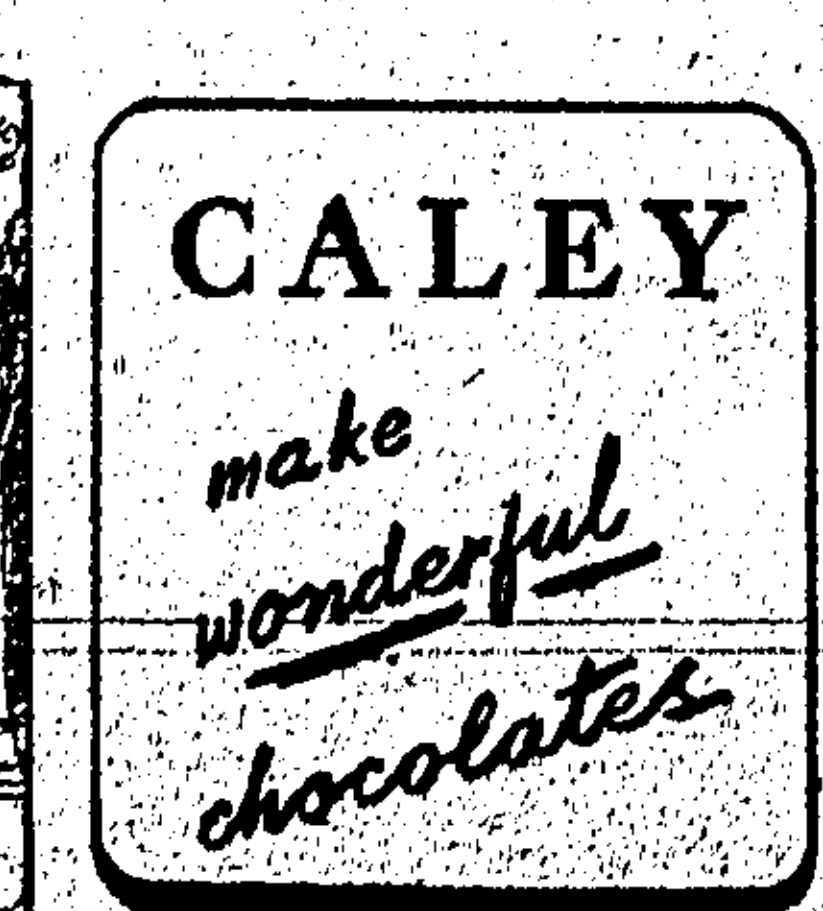
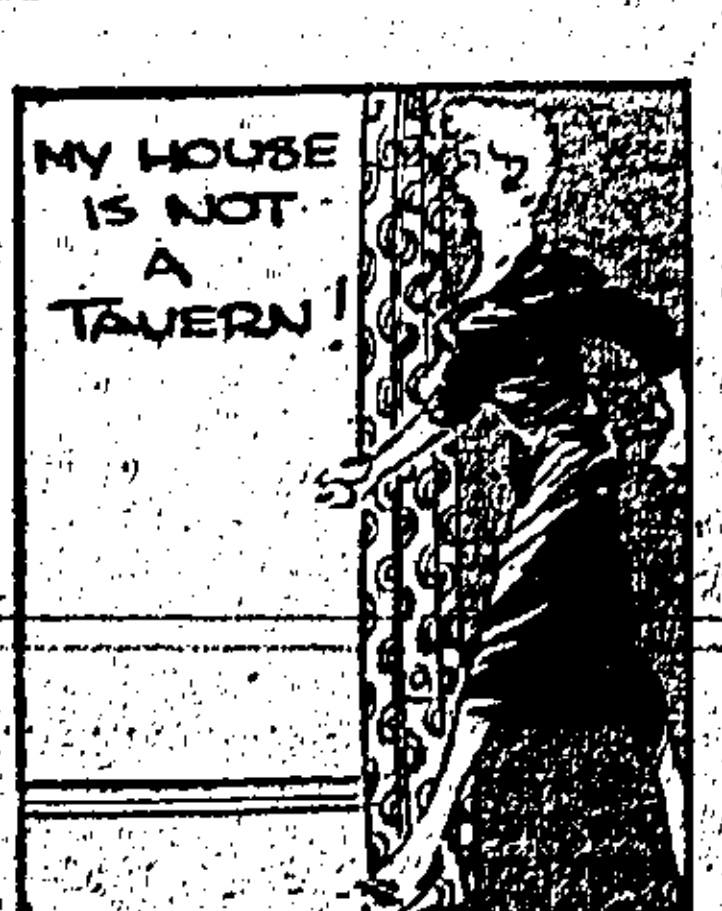
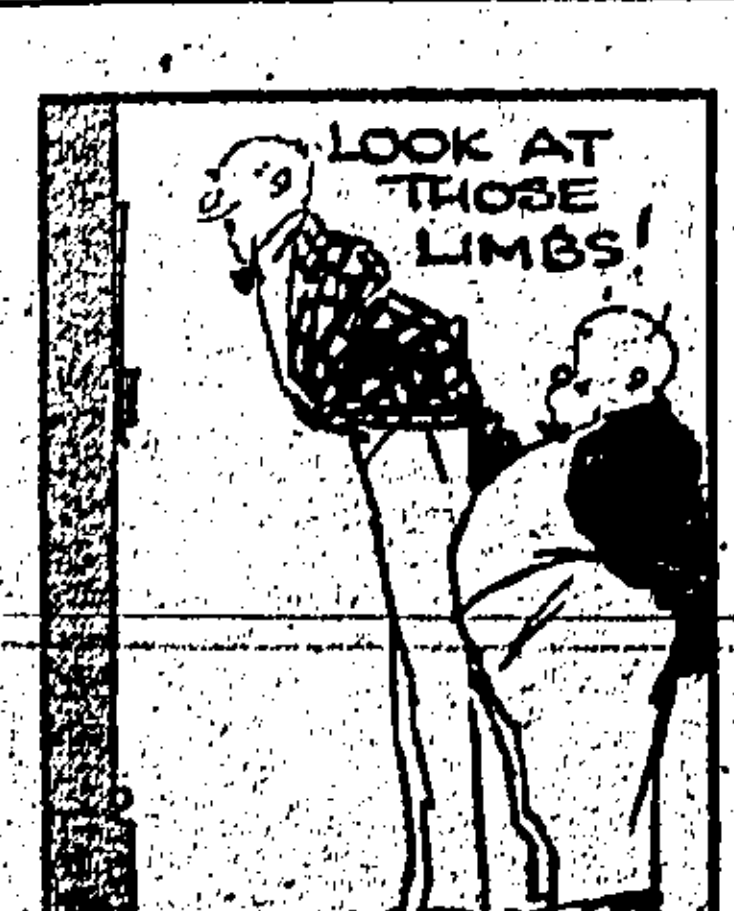
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SCELBA — A FIGHTING SPEECH

Rome, May 19. Western diplomats said today that Premier Mario Scelba has taken a major step in halting a dangerous drift toward neutralism in Italy.

In a fighting speech to Italian farmers gathered at Rome last night, Signor Scelba made it clear to the Western allies that Italy will stand beside them in peace or war against Communism.

He issued a stern warning to the Italian people, many of whom are flirting with the idea of neutrality, that this nation cannot stay out of the struggle. This was the speech Western diplomats were waiting for. They said even though Signor Scelba's days as Premier may be numbered, his stern stand beside the West is bound to influence public opinion.

INSULT TO ITALY
Signor Scelba said the international alarm over the election of a Christian Democrat, Signor Giovanni Gronchi, as President was an insult to Italy.

Signor Scelba fought Signor Gronchi's candidacy, and in his speech he rejected Signor Gronchi's idea that the democratic parties should play ball with the fellow-travelling Socialists of Stalin prize-winner Signor Pietro Nenni.

There is no fear of Italy's going Communist, but there is worry over neutralism.—United Press.

London, May 20. Mr. Mao Tse-tung, Chinese leader, yesterday sent a greeting message to Mr. Ho Chi Minh, President of North Vietnam on his 65th birthday, the New China News Agency reported today.

Mr. Mao wished Mr. Ho success in the "glorious cause of striving for peace, independence, unification and democracy in Vietnam."—Reuter.

Russian Support For UK Over Time Limit

Moscow, May 19.

The Soviet Union will support Britain's request for an extension of the time limit imposed on the movement of refugees in North and South Vietnam, observers here said today.

Mr. Vyacheslav Molotov, Soviet Foreign Minister, met Sir William Hayter, the British Ambassador, yesterday to discuss an extension of the time limit which expired last night.

(A British Foreign Office spokesman said in London that Russia has met Britain "some of the way" on the question. Mr. Molotov met the Ambassador following Britain's note of May 7 requesting an extension of the programme.)

FLEET PATROLS
Meanwhile American and French troop transports protected by the French Far Eastern fleet today patrolled waters off the Communist North Vietnam coast to pick up any refugees that the Reds may release.

Some 50,000 refugees (mostly Catholics) are stranded in North Vietnam unable to pass to the South.

The transport fleet hovering off the Red-controlled north coast could accommodate 20,000 refugees—if the Reds let any go. Admiral Albert - Edouard Jovan, commanding the French Far Eastern Fleet, today radioed French vessels to be on the lookout for refugees who have asked Communist authorities for repatriation to South Vietnam.

The French ships were backed up by several American transports which participated in previous evacuations of anti-Communists from North Vietnam.

The French hope the Red Ho Chi-minh Government will agree to the South Vietnamese request, backed by the United States and Britain, that the exchange of civilian populations between the two zones be continued.—Reuter & United Press.

Atom Bomb Necessary In Europe

New York, May 19. General Alfred Gruenther, Supreme Commander of the Allied forces in Europe (SHAPE), spoke out against a ban on atomic weapons here today. He pointed out that the atomic bomb would be needed to repel a Soviet invasion in Western Europe successfully.

Addressing 700 mayors from all over the United States, he said he feared that recent conciliatory proposals of the Soviet Union were aimed only at eliminating these weapons.

REAL DANGER
He asserted that there was a real danger of public opinion forcing political leaders to make compromises which in the end might be disadvantageous to the Western world.

The General said he was convinced that the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation forces could beat the Russians, because of air superiority, if they attacked Western Europe. But he stated that an invasion of that part of the world could be prevented only by using the atomic bomb and with German military support.—France-Press.

WOULD BE KILLED

Mr. Vinson had said the Bill would be killed if the anti-segregation provision, sponsored by Representative Adam Clayton Powell, Jr., stayed in. He denied that the vote to quit work on the measure means the Bill is abandoned or dead. He said it still may be called up later for further consideration.

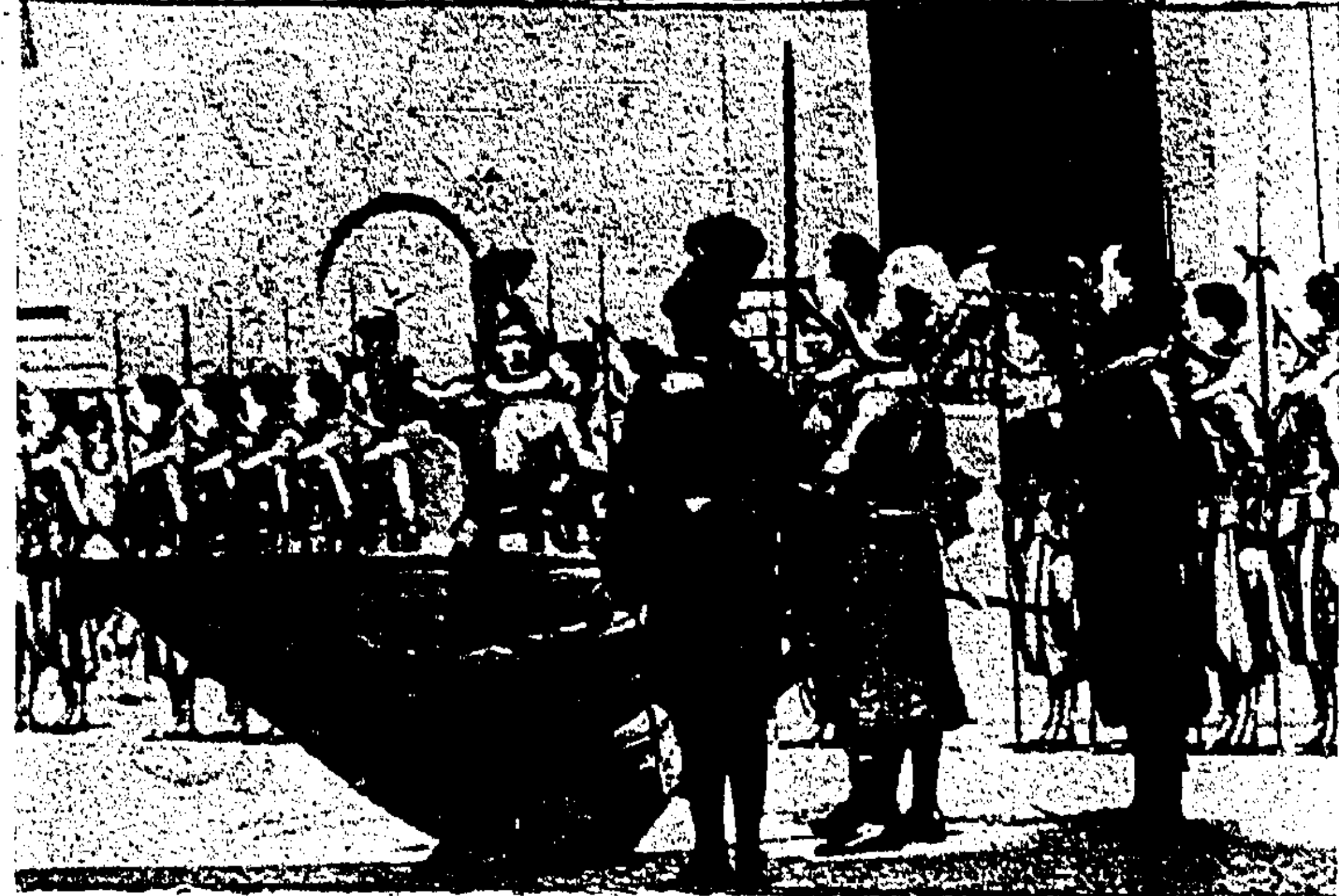
Mr. Powell, one of three Negro members of the House, said Mr. Vinson promised that the Committee would try to work out "an acceptable bill."

Mr. Vinson said that the Bill will remain as "unfinished" business until he decides to call it up for further House consideration.—United Press.

Swedish Envoy In Peking

London, May 20. Communist China's Premier, Mr. Chou En-lai, yesterday afternoon received Mr. R. Schuman, Swedish Ambassador to Russia, who is on a visit to Peking. New China News Agency reported today.

It said Mr. Huang Hua, Director of the Western European-African Affairs Department of the Foreign Ministry, and Mr. T. Hugo Wistrand, Swedish Ambassador to China, were present.—Reuter.



US General Rebukes Subordinate DID NOT TELL TRUTH

Washington, May 19.

General Nathan Twining, Air Force Chief of Staff, today publicly rebuked one of his generals who said that the Soviet Air Force was "at least as good as" or possibly better than that of the United States.

General Twining told reporters that the officer, Brigadier-General Woodbury Burgess, Deputy Chief of Staff for Intelligence in the Continental Air Defence Command "did not tell the truth."

General Burgess made the statement in a speech in Detroit last night. He said America had been under-estimating the Russians.

DISCIPLINE?

Asked whether he would discipline General Burgess, General Twining said: "I certainly will talk to him." General Twining and the Secretary of the Air Force, Mr. Harold Talbot, both said they were surprised at American fears of Soviet air power.

Some fear has been expressed since the Air Force last week published a report which described a parade over Moscow of powerful new jet bombers and fighters.

Democrat Senator Walter George suggested at the time that the purpose of the report was perhaps to impress Congress with the necessity to be liberal with money for American air power. The military budget is now pending in Congress.

Mr. Talbot and General Twining testified in secret today before a Senate Appropriations Committee.

The Chairman of the Committee, Senator Dennis Chavez, said after hearing their testimony that in both offensive and defensive air power the United States was much better than any other nation.—Reuter.

Honour For Mrs Pandit

London, May 19.

The Queen Mother, recently elected Chancellor of London University, has personally chosen Mrs. Vijaya Lakshmi Pandit, the High Commissioner for India, to receive one of the six honorary degrees which she will confer when she is installed as Chancellor in November.

Mrs. Pandit will become a Doctor of Laws.

The Senate of the University, which is usually in charge of selecting nominees, has approved the Queen Mother's list, which also includes the Prime Minister of the Central African Federation, Lord Malvern.—France-Press.

Asian Atomic Plan Long Way Off

Washington, May 20.

A proposed Asian atomic authority for developing use of the atom to industrialise the non-Communist nations of the Far East was "a very, very long way away," Washington authorities said today.

These officials, in close touch with Asian affairs, were anxious to counteract any impression that such a project—urged at the International Chamber of Commerce con-



GENERAL TWINING

ALLEGED SLAVE TRAFFIC

Marseilles, May 19.

French police are investigating allegations of slave traffic between some territories of French West Africa and certain Arab countries, a delegate to the Congress of the Popular Republican Party said here today.

He said the traffic was conducted under the cloak of Mecca pilgrimages.

The delegate, M. Emmanuel la Graviere, was replying to a reporter's questions on a statement he was reported to have made in a Party study group of France's overseas territories yesterday. The congress proper opened today.

He said: "In the course of an investigation, I have conducted in the past few months in French West Africa, I have obtained proof that several hundred Negroes, men and women, under the pretext of pilgrimages to Mecca, have been sent as slaves by African dealers to certain Arab states, notably the Yemen and Saudi Arabia."—China Mail Special.

Twenty-two recruits for the Vatican Swiss Guard are sworn in at the colourful ceremony which takes place every year on the anniversary of the Sack of Rome. On his name being called the recruit leaves the ranks and marches forward to the flag bearer who lowers the flag so that the recruit can place his left hand on it while he raises the other and repeats the oath. Twenty-one took the oath in German, and one in French. Picture shows: The swearing-in ceremony in progress in the Courtyard of Belvedere at the Vatican. The recruit is seen with his hand on the flag taking the oath.—Express Photo.

Dutch Cabinet Crisis

May Be Long And Difficult

The Hague, May 20.

Queen Juliana today resumes her consultations with party leaders in a bid to resolve the Dutch Cabinet crisis, now in its fourth day.

A Court announcement tonight said she has invited parliamentary leaders of the Protestant Anti-Revolutionary and Christian Historical Parties, the Liberal the Communist, the splinter National Catholic Party and the extreme right-wing political Reformed Party.

Leaders of the Catholic and Socialist Parties, which each hold 30 seats in Holland's 100-seat Lower House, had talks with the Queen on Wednesday.

The Queen held no talks yesterday, Ascension Day, which is a public holiday in the Netherlands.

It is generally feared that the crisis, caused by the narrow defeat of the Government in the Lower House on a domestic issue of higher rents, will be long and difficult.

The last Cabinet crisis, in 1952, lasted nine weeks.—Reuter.

PLAN TO SAVE GOVT. MONEY

New York, May 19.

Former President Herbert Hoover said today \$8,000 million (\$142 million) might be saved if steps so far recommended by his Commission on Government Organisation were carried out.

And beyond that there could be returned to the treasury about \$70,000 million (\$2,500,000) of money which could be provided otherwise," he added.

Mr. Hoover was appointed by President Eisenhower to head the Commission, which is seeking ways to save money in American Government operations.

He gave the figures in a speech at the annual meeting of the National Industrial Conference Board.—Reuter.

Warning To Electorate DANGERS OF BIG MAJORITY

London, May 19.

The New Statesman and Nation, the left-wing weekly, warned today of the "dangers" of a Conservative Government winning next Thursday's general election by a large majority.

Then it said the Government would have no defence against the pressure of those Conservative groups "who do not love the moderation" of Mr. R. A. Butler, Chancellor of the Exchequer. Dislike of top-level talks and beliefs that British security demands that we should always appease the Republican part in Washington.

The weekly made this comment as the right-wing journal, Time and Tide, called for "an enlarged and strengthened Conservative majority" in the election.

NOT TOO LATE

In its review of the election the New Statesman and Nation said it was still not too late for Labour to retrieve its fortunes in the election.

The left-wing journal said: "It began with the handicap that Labour voters are not easily roused when the country is, generally speaking, prosperous. World economies have been such that Conservative government has not as in the 1930's meant economic misery and unemployment."

"The Conservatives have even been able to suggest that they are the party of 'peace' and that there is no contradiction between their 'freedom and prosperity' and Labour's 'welfare state'."

"This Tory bipartisanship with Labour has enabled the Conservatives to run an election on gentlemanly lines for the first time since the First World War. No stunts, no excitements...."

"As a result the Labour voter has not been made angry and judging by the municipal elections last weekend is disinclined to vote," the New Statesman and Nation said.

But it declared "the issues were 'real enough.' A temporary boom, it said, did not affect the argument between socialism and private enterprise.

FREE SYSTEM

The journal commented: "Mr. Butler has asked for a mandate to deal with any future economic crisis by returning to a 'free' system in which there are no controls and no subsidies to maintain that relative equality which the Labour Government gave the country."

The New Statesman and Nation stressed that people who thought there is little to choose between the parties should remember that the welfare state was only Conservative policy "when the parties in the House are nearly equally balanced."

The right-wing Time and Tide said that to those whose memories went back before the First World War the present general election campaign "seems strangely, unhealthily quiet."

But emphasising the importance of the election the journal said the choice was between two kinds of mood and temper, two kinds of technique.

If a Socialist mood and technique was chosen, it said "there will be swift and profound disturbances in the terms of overseas trade, and a Socialist Chancellor (of the Exchequer) will apply physical controls to counter them. Rigidity and centralised direction will be the order of the day in all our economy... the way will be open and quick to national disaster."

GOOD RECORD

The right-wing Spectator said today the Conservative Government's record was "remarkably good" and there had been no decline in full employment or "any assault on the welfare state."

On the Socialists the Spectator said that even more glaring than Labour's lack of unity was its lack of policy. "This must be very nearly the first time that the left-wing party has entered an election without a policy," it commented.

This journal said neither Labour's record nor its proposals inspired confidence.—Reuter.

No Guard For Princess

Cologne, May 19.

There will be no guard of honour for Princess Margaret when she arrives at Wahn airfield, near here, on Monday for a three-day visit to British troops, a Royal Air Force spokesman said today.

Instructions had been received from her household to keep airfield ceremonies short—they will last just over ten minutes—so that she will waste no time in getting away by car to the Suffolk Regiment at Wuppertal, 25 miles from here.

There she will inspect a guard of honour of the Suffolk, of which she is Colonel-in-Chief.

But there will be a welcome party at Wahn headed by the British Ambassador, Sir Frederik Hoyer Millar, and representatives of President Theodor Heuss of West Germany and of the Federal German Government.—China Mail Special.

Saviour Of Pakistan

Karachi, May 19.

Pakistan's Governor-General, Mr. Ghulam Mohammed, has agreed to accept the title of "Mohafiz-e-Milat" (Saviour of the Nation), it was learnt here today.

Twenty-nine organisations had urged the Governor to take the title. In their appeal, they said that by his timely interventions, he had saved the people of Pakistan from disaster at least twice. The title will be used before his name.

Since the creation of Pakistan, two leaders, both now dead, have been given honorary names. They were the founder of Pakistan, Mohammed Ali Jinnah, called "Quaid-e-Azam" (Great Leader), and the first Premier, Liaquat Ali Khan, who was assassinated in 1951.

He was known as "Quaid-e-Milat" (Leader of the Nation).—France-Press.

Scholarship Offer By Russia

London, May 19.

Russia is to grant ten scholarships to native inhabitants of non-self governing territories to enable them to obtain education in the Soviet Union, Moscow radio announced today.

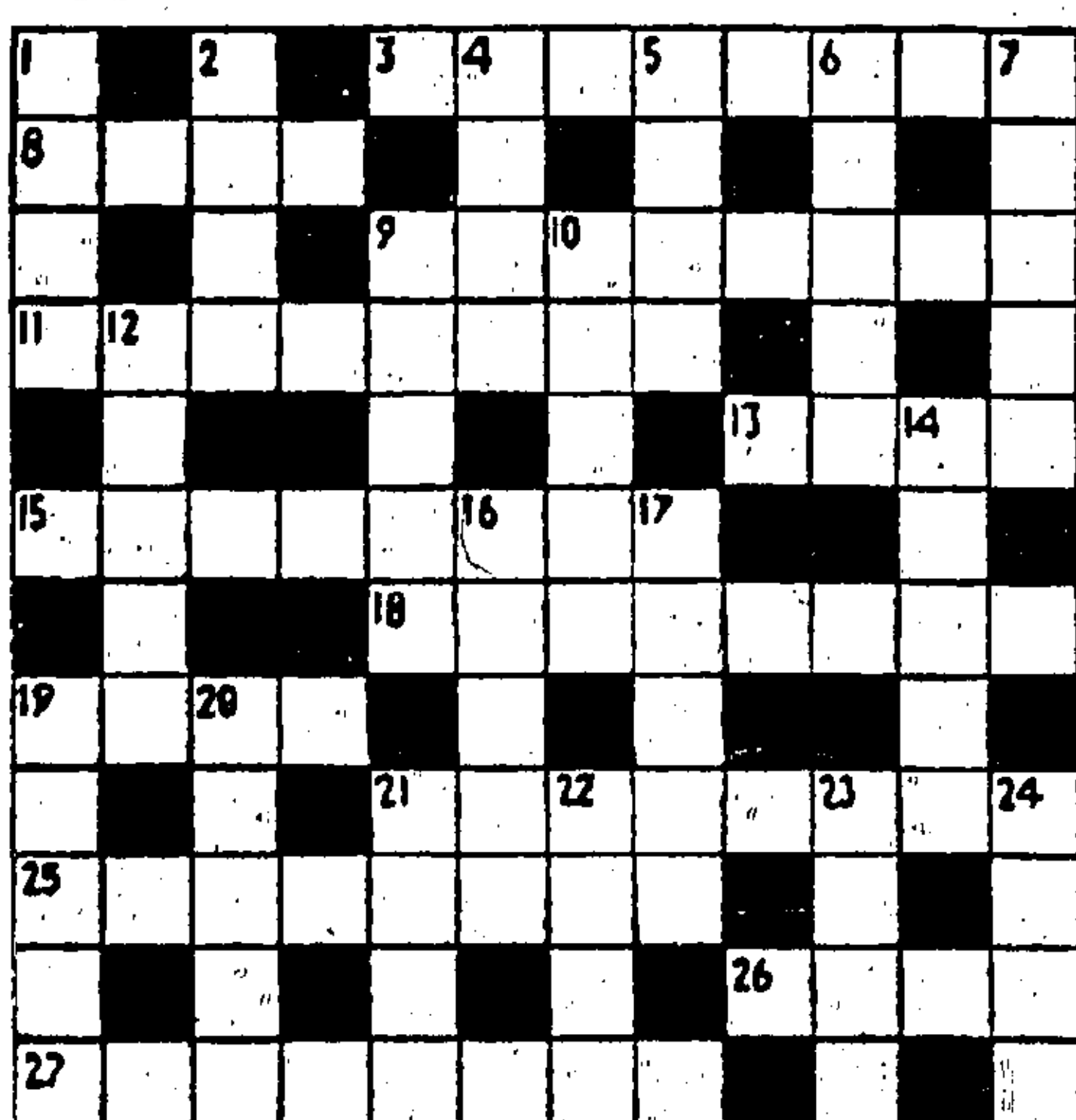
The radio said that the Russian delegation to the United Nations had sent a letter to Mr. Dag Hammarskjöld, the Secretary-General, informing him of the offer and asking him to inform "interested persons and authorities of the trusteeship territories."

UN APPEAL

The letter said the scholarships had been granted in connection with the United Nations General Assembly's decision on educational assistance by member countries to the native populations of trusteeship territories.

(On November 26 last year the General Assembly adopted a resolution inviting member nations to make "generous" offers of scholarships and fellowships to enable qualified students from non-self governing territories to undertake technical and vocational training and university and post primary studies).—Reuter.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS DOWN

- 3 Bullfighters (8).
- 8 Period (4).
- 9 Soft (8).
- 11 Not ready (8).
- 13 Sea-bird (4).
- 15 Intermediate storey (8).
- 18 Stripping (8).
- 19 Not at home (4).
- 21 Emits (6).
- 25 Disposed (6).
- 26 Accurate (4).
- 27 Alone (8).

- 1 Pace (4).
- 2 Liberate (4).
- 4 Assent (4).
- 5 Greedy (6).
- 6 Egg-shaped (5).
- 7 Severer (5).
- 9 Ventured (5).
- 10 Fruit (5).
- 12 Renovate (5).
- 14 Existent (5).
- 16 Part of a flower (5).
- 17 Ghastly (5).
- 19 Land measures (5).
- 20 Striking-block (5).
- 21 Absorbed (4).
- 22 Expensive (4).
- 23 Sharp (4).
- 24 Check (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD—Across: 1 Climbs, 4 Pores, 7 Emphases, 8 Realm, 9 Strait, 11 Orderly, 13 Compare, 15 Sudden, 18 Idiot, 19 Undulate, 20 Cadre, 21 Events, Down: 1 Chess, 2 Manna, 3 Senator, 4 Peered, 5 Repaired, 6 Skimp, 10 Remained, 12 Residue, 13 Crille, 14 Astute, 16 Delve, 17 Needs.

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DID IT HAPPEN?



I hit Gregory for six successive sixes but of the ground and the game had to be held up while members of the MCC went out to buy a new supply of balls.

THE summer of 1921 was the most glorious I remember. Even when the morning skies were red, we knew that the day would be fine, that no cloud would come between us and the sun from the time we get up until bedtime.

I do not remember that the nights were ever unpleasantly hot; but they were certainly warm enough to allow us to sleep without bedclothes. Some of us in my dormitory even slept on the bare boards under the long washstands, imagining behind the hanging towels that we were in tents in some fanciful country far away.

But it was not during the day, so that we were allowed to bathe in the river three, four, even ten times during daylight hours and a few of us even went bathing secretly during the night. I suppose we did some work, but all I remember about that was classes out of doors in the shade of the trees around the playing fields. Mostly that term seemed to be swimming, cricket and glorious sunshine.

We were not, however, the only people in England who revelled in that summer. Warwick Armstrong's Australian team were over with probably the two best fast bowlers who ever played together in one team. There was Gregory, lean and tall, with his long, bounding, terrifying run, and Macdonald, with his shorter run and smoother action. Gregory was the panther, all teeth and claws and fiery eyes. Macdonald was the serpent. Both were venomously deadly to English batsmen. Their bowling came through the air at the speed of sound if not of light, hit the hard, baked pitch and skimmed upwards again, with speed redoubled in a shower of sparks. Hobbs was ill with appendicitis, and our remaining batsmen were paralysed. We lost the first Test at Nottingham ignominiously; and Gregory and Macdonald at once became what Sonopart once had been — a chariot to frighten children into being good.

School rivals

But they could not frighten me. I remember how late one night, lying in the towel-shaded privacy under the washstands, I hit Gregory for six successive sixes out of the ground and the game had to be held up while

members of the MCC went out to buy a new supply of balls.

Subsequently, I hit Macdonald for five successive sixes, and would have hit him for a sixth if he hadn't burst into tears and refused to bowl any more. Ah that glorious summer! I was young enough then to dream dreams and believe that they were true. I believed this particular dream so firmly that even today, I am half surprised when I can find no reference to it in Wisden.

However, that term I soon had more important matters than Gregory and Macdonald to worry about. Our most serious school rivals were the neighbouring Summerfields. They were a



by J. P. W. Mallieu
The Test Match victory made J. P. W. Mallieu's mind back to another cricket match, in another Test Match year, when he was at his preparatory school before going to Cheltenham. Later, at Oxford, he was awarded his degree in Law, and became president of the Union. In the war he served in the Mary, and wrote a very ordinary soldier's story, "The Soldier's Story", which was published in the "Daily Mail". He has been a Socialist MP since 1945, representing Huddersfield East. Recreation? Watching Huddersfield Town.

rather starchy lot who talked with pebbles in their mouths, looked down their noses and subsequently went to Eton. Worse, ever since I had gone to school, Summerfields, consistently each year, had beaten each of the four elevens we sent against them.

True, one year, our Third Eleven had made 13 and got Summerfields Third Eleven out for 12; but the Summerfields master suggested that there was time for a second innings. In

Summerfields wickets for nothing. Sometimes, although I went in last, I won the match with a shattering century. But it never occurred to me to imagine that I was winning the match by stumping ten men in succession, for the practical knowledge of my own wicket-keeping deficiencies was too strong for romanticism.

When the day came, Summerfields won the toss and batted first. Personally, if I had won the toss I would have batted

Miss Bloom did not seem too inspired by this news. "You are the small, still voice of Alexander's conscience," I said.

"Really," said Miss Bloom, "that's the first I've heard of it. What gives you that idea?"

"Your producer."

"Oh, well, in that case I'm the small, still voice of Alexander's conscience."

I said: "One thing puzzles me — about you and Alexander the Great. Do you have love scenes together?"

"Yes."

"I had always thought Alexander wasn't interested in girls."

"What makes you think he was? This is a film. Don't tell me you believe everything in a film."

I asked Miss Bloom whether she had any ideas about how she was going to play Alexander's composite love. Miss Bloom said it was a secret.

"I know," Robert Rossen is directing Part One of the film during the day and writing Part Two in the mornings. Could it be that you are in Part Two and still unwritten?"

Miss Bloom said: "I'm not saying anything."

Anyway, I sympathised with her on having to cool her heels around Madrid for all this time without being called upon to act. Knowing what a dedicated actress she was, she must simply be bursting to act. But I was wrong.

Miss Bloom smiled with infinite gentleness, twisted the strands of her hair nervously around her fingers.

"A couple of weeks ago," she said, "I was Barsine. Now I believe I am Roxane. Or it is possible that I am Statira — there was some mention of Statira. Do you know who I am playing?"

I said: "The latest news is that you are Barsine, Roxane and Statira. A composite of all three. But, whatever your name, you are the great love of Alexander the Great."

"Not at all," said Miss Bloom. "I'm having a wonderful time. It's lovely being paid and not having to work. I no longer take myself so seriously. I used to have a miserable time when I was too serious. Now I have much more fun."

She has even kicked over the traces to the extent of going to a bull-fight. I expected her to be revolted by something so alien to the old school and the Old Vic. But no, Miss Bloom was enthralled.

"The matadors," she sighed, "they are so beautiful. It would

be terrible if it were done by an ugly man, but they are marvellous, the way they move, like dancers. Of course it is sad about the bulls, but I was so fascinated I didn't think about them."

Robert Rossen, who once made a film called "The Brave Bulls," is not going to the bull-fights. "I worry too much about the bull-fighters," he said, "now that I know them personally. No, I've never worried about the bulls."

But Rossen has other worries, too. He is a brilliant director and writer who has made films like "Body and Soul" and "All the King's Men," but this present venture is an enormous undertaking.

"Costs run into thousands every day," said Rossen. "It will be a two-hour 20-minute film. It would have cost twice as much to make it in England. Of course I would have liked to make it in the actual locales in Greece, but they don't have enough technicians there."

He interrupted to issue directions to his players: "Come on, you're supposed to hit her. Hit her."

"But we're only rehearsing," complained the actress, who had to be hit. "Can't we save that for the take?"

It seemed they couldn't. Rossen is a painstaking workaholic. He has built roads to take his unit to certain locations; he has levelled the top of a hill with dynamite so he could build on it; he has taken Alexander the Great up mountains and down into rivers.

And in the wake of Alexander are coming other Hollywood companies — to make films here like "Ben-Hur," "Cyrano," "Carmen," "Matador"...

Now that Italy has become so expensive, Hollywood has discovered that the sun also shines in Spain.

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THE HOPE OF HIS SIDE

that we were dismissed for 7 and Summerfields won by two wickets. We thought at the time that this second innings business was rather un sporting and just the kind of thing you would expect from Summerfields.

Now, in 1921, we were due to play them once again and this time I was in the First Eleven. We were to go to their lovely ground, play on their pitch, which actually had"mari" in it, be condescended to and, in all probability, get whacked.

I began to feel nervous about the match a week beforehand but that did not prevent me, in the drowsy dusk under the washstand, from swanning the match by a variety of spectacular feats which would not have been remarkable in the pages of The Captain, but which would have been astounding if they really had been performed by me.

Sometimes, although I was the wicketkeeper, I was put on to bowl and skittled the last six

second because nervous small boys have time to get rid of their nerves while they are fielding and anyway, there was no possibility of rain. But that sort of thing would not do for Summerfields. If they won the toss, with the wicket marled and baked to plumbness, they must be orthodox and bat. They made about 120 runs, which is pretty good in schoolboy cricket even on a plumb pitch. Even against our bowling.

Gloomy speech

About the next thing I remember is that our captain seemed to be feeling cold. In spite of the sun which still poured warmth over the field he was sitting on a hard wooden bench with his arms folded across, and held tightly to his body, as if at any moment he would break uncontrollably into shivers. "We're not going to get those runs," he said.

The score was 72 for seven. Apart from putting on a pair of pads, I took little notice of this gloomy speech. It was so lovely to sit in the sun. Then, suddenly, it was 73 for nine and I was last man in.

So there I was, slap in the middle of every schoolboy's dream. Forty-four runs wanted to win the match against a deadly rival of a school whom we had not beaten for at least five years and probably longer. Here was the moment I had imagined behind the towels when I would seize a bat and, after a silent grip on my shoulder from my captain, I would stride out to win the match. What in fact happened was that I began to stride towards the wicket without a bat at all. The incoming batsman refused to lend me his because I bat left-handed, so I just had to go back for my own.

A four

Well, after a ball or two, I hit a single, and then Monty Hatt, who was a fine fast bowler but a bit erratic with a bat, hit a two and a Summerfields boy at the other end said something that I did not hear and the Summerfields boy who was fielding mid-on shouted back to him: "We've not won yet." And at that instant I knew that Summerfields were not going to win. I knew it as certainly as if I had seen it in the scorebook two days later.

Quite soon I hit a beautiful four, the left-hander's four through the covers. I remember that shot, remember the ball speeding over the grass, dropping over a slope and curving back into the air as it hit a stone wall at the bottom of the slope. I relished it then because it is the sweetest shot in cricket. I remember it now because I've never done such a shot again. I did not bother that it brought

It was every schoolboy's greatest moment... but did it really happen? That is for YOU to decide.

us four runs nearer to victory. Victory already was absolutely assured.

It was still assured when Monty took a slash, snicked it towards the slips, and the slips, getting both hands to it, put it on the floor. It was still assured when, just as I was in the middle of a second run, the wicketkeeper took the balls off without first making sure that the ball was in his hands. It was still assured when, with nine runs to get, I looked towards the little pavilion and saw four members of our side, no longer able to bear suspense in isolation, scurry across to huddle with the rest of the team.

I remember wondering why they should be alarmed. The thing was settled. And so, by and by it was. The scores were level, Monty hit a nice single, and I said to our master, who was umpiring at the batting end, "Have we won?" He nodded and grinned, so I went down the pitch and was bowled. "You are a silly ass," said Monty. Perhaps he was thinking of that disastrous second innings in the Third Eleven two years previously. More likely he just wanted to go on batting on that sun-baked pitch.

Robbed....

So there it was. Between us we had done what every schoolboy sometimes dreams of doing and what every writer of schoolboy stories makes his heroes do. But there was Monty complaining that because I had chucked my wicket away he had been robbed of batting joys on that June afternoon, and there, suddenly, was I gripped by a terrible fear about the score. I wasn't worried that he might have miscounted and that we had lost after all. As I have told you, I had known with absolute certainty, almost from the moment I went in, that we would win. My fear was that the silly scorer would not realise that, as soon as Monty hit that winning single the game was over and that the scorebook should read:

M. Hatt not out 30
P. Mallieu not out 14
But my fears were immediately confirmed. The scorebook read:

M. Hatt not out 30
P. Mallieu bowled
Johnstone 14.

And so it still stands today. I have never forgiven that scorer. He was of course telling a lie.

My dream had come true, but it had also been shattered.

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DID IT REALLY HAPPEN?

YES NO

Put your tick in the space above and keep this panel until tomorrow, when the answer will be given, together with another story in the series by

DOUGLAS DUFF

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COUNTY CRICKET

HUTTON IN SPARKLING FORM AT LEEDS; SURREY WELL PLACED

London, May 19.

Len Hutton, the England cricket captain, playing in his first game since returning from Australia, cast off the cares of Test captaincy today and found his most sparkling form with 66 for Yorkshire against Somerset at Leeds.

He reached his half century in 85 minutes and eventually gave a catch to mid wicket.

At the close Yorkshire were well set to register their third successive County Championship victory as Somerset were 269 runs in arrears with only seven wickets left.

They were out this morning for 84, the last five wickets tumbling for only six runs. Bob Appleyard and Johnny Wardle each claimed five wickets. After Yorkshire had shown the pitch was not at fault by scoring 213 for

four declared, Somerset were hit by the pace of Freddie Trueman and lost three wickets for 22 before the close.

Surrey, reigning Champions who seem certain to become involved in a grim battle for honours with Yorkshire this season, were well placed after two days play against Essex at Ilford.

At one time Surrey looked likely to win with a day to spare but they were held up by a patient fifth wicket Essex stand of 85 by Dick Horsfall and Test all-rounder Trevor Bailey. Left arm slow bowler Tony Lock restored Surrey's advantage by taking four wickets in his last four overs of the day without conceding a run. At the close Essex had only two wickets left and held a meagre lead of 121.

Peter Richardson, Worcestershire's young left-handed opening batsman who has been hailed as a coming England star, struck form today after a disastrous start to the season. Having scored only 18 runs in his previous five innings he carried his bat for 91 not out in his County's total of 155 against Hampshire at Worcester. Hampshire fared even worse and were all out for 112 but took five Worcester second innings wickets for 40 runs before play ended.

CLOSE OF PLAY SCORES

At Ilford: Essex 126 and 174 for eight (Horsfall 69). Surrey 179 (Insole, right-arm medium, five for 22).

At Lords: MCC-Club Cricket Conference two day match drawn. MCC 116 for seven declared (Subba Row 37, Poole not out 60). Club Cricket Conference 163 for eight declared and 85 for six.

At Manchester: Lancashire 259 and 85 for four. Warwickshire 140 (Watkins 53, Statham five for 27, Holton, left-arm spin, five for 65). No play before lunch because of rain.

At Worcester: Worcestershire 155 (Richardson not out 91, Shackleton, right-arm fast medium, four for 42) and 40 for five. Hampshire 112 (Perks, right-arm fast medium, six for 44).

At Leeds: Yorkshire 161 and 213 for four declared (Hutton 66, Lawson 60, Wilson 69). Somerset 84 (Appleyard, right-arm medium offspin, five for 42) and 22 for three.

At Gravesend: Kent 17 and 39 for three. Derbyshire 311 for eight declared (Morgan not out 108).

At Bristol: Gloucestershire 107 and 184 (Crapp 73 Jackson, right-arm offbreak, five for 63). Leicestershire 153 (Mortimore, right-arm offbreak, four 41) and 54 for one.—Reuter.

BRIDGETOWN TEST

Australians Do Not Enforce The Follow-on

Bridgetown, Barbados, May 19.

Australia, though gaining a first innings lead of 158 (668 to 510) did not enforce the follow-on against the West Indies today, the penultimate day of the Fourth Test.

Battling again they lost eight second innings wickets for 184 and so, with one day left to play, lead by 342 runs with two wickets in hand and another innings for the West Indies.

This position, on a pitch showing definite signs of wear, suggests that Australia will be able to secure the draw which is all they need to win the rubber, having won two and drawn one of the three earlier Tests.

To win the West Indies need some very quick runs tomorrow after getting rid of the last two Australians.

Yesterday's wonderful seventh wicket stand by the West Indies captain and wicketkeeper, Denis Atkinson, and Claremont Deppeza did not continue, as the latter was out today without addition to the score.

Their stand had been corrected from 348 to 347 after a score-keeping error had been discovered, but it was still a world record.

SOON BROKEN

The gallant seventh wicket partnership was soon broken when play started today and within a short time both Atkinson and Deppeza were out.

In fine but cloudy weather they resumed their record-breaking stand on a pitch that still looked full of runs although it showed "cobweb" cracks.

In the third ball of Deppeza's opening over Deppeza was bowled without adding to his overnight 122 or the overnight total of 454. Ten runs later Atkinson was caught for 219 and eight wickets were down for 504 with the follow-on now once again looming ahead for the West Indies.

Within half an hour of the day's start the last two wickets also fell so that four had fallen for 16 runs this morning and the West Indies, 510 to 608, were within the range of following-on.

This, however, was not enforced and Australia batted again. So Australia seemed assured of the draw which was all they needed to win the rubber, having won two and drawn one of the earlier Tests.

Atkinson's marathon innings ended when he was caught wide of mid-on off Johnson for 219 which occupied 351 minutes. He hit 28 fours and one six.

Favell was again the dominating partner at the start of the Australian second innings and he scored 45 of the 48 runs put on at a once a minute rate before lunch when Australia with all second innings wickets intact were 203 runs ahead.—Reuter.

The West Indies lost their last four first innings wickets for the addition of only 16 runs. Deppeza failed to add to his overnight 122, but Atkinson scored four runs to finish with 219 (29 fours and one six).

After an opening stand of 71 between Favell (53) and McDonald (17), Australia suffered a collapse and in their second innings half the side were out for 107.

Then Harvey, Archer and Lindwall fell for the addition of 70 runs.

THE SCOREBOARD

Australia, 1st Innings, 608	
West Indies, 1st Innings	
J. Holt, b. Lindwall	22
G. Sobers, c. Hill, b. Johnson	43
C. Walcott, c. Langley, b. Benaud	15
E. Weir, c. Langley, b. Miller	44
J. Wardle, run out	10

SPORTS



"I quite forgot to tell you, dear, I borrowed your golf bag for shopping yesterday."

London Street scene.

SILVERSTONE TROPHY WINNER



Peter Collins, winner of the Daily Express International Trophy Race at Silverstone, receives a congratulatory handshake from the Hon. Max Aitken, Vice-Chairman of the Beaverbrook Newspapers. Collins, driving a Maserati, completed the 60 laps (approximately 180 miles) at an average speed of 95.94 miles per hour. — Express Photo.

Doug Bachli Will Not Defend His English Amateur Golf Championship

By HENRY LONGHURST

London.

A letter last week from Douglas Bachli, the Amateur Golf Champion, confirms in melancholy strain the news that he will not be with us to defend his title—thus bringing to a conclusion a problem foreseen as inevitable for the best part of twelve months.

Bachli won, it will be remembered, while a member of the Australian team which had come here for the Commonwealth tournament inaugurated to celebrate the 200th anniversary of the Royal and Ancient Club. As such, his expenses were naturally and properly paid.

If he returns, it would have to be under his own steam.

For such a trip he could hardly expect to see any change out of £600—and he finds himself among the company of those, including your correspondent and, I dare say, ninety-nine out of a hundred readers, who cannot at the moment lay hands on £600 for a week's golf.

The situation forces us to face over here a problem which has long confronted our friends in the United States, on whose efforts to solve it we may now realise that we have perhaps looked with a rather patronising eye.

To play in a fair number of amateur tournaments, including the Championship, involves a young American amateur in expenditure which he is unlikely to be able to meet at the sort of age when he is liable to win. Such expense is undreamed of over here, and that is why we are apt to be a little smug in the matter.

"You going to the Amateur this year?" "Don't know. Where is it?" "Philadelphia, I believe." Such exchanges between two young amateurs in England might sound far-fetched, but they would be nearer the mark than may be appreciated. Seattle and San Francisco are as far from Philadelphia as Sunningdale. When the Walker Cup party arrived at Pine Valley in 1936 we found that two of the American team had come farther than we had.

PATRON TO PAY

The young American amateur, while possessed perhaps of the highest moral conceptions of amateur status, may be forced either to give up his championship aspirations or find himself some form of sponsor or patron to pay his way for him at an age when he cannot do it for himself.

The patron may be a successful man who simply cares to give some likeable young fellow some of the good things of life that he himself missed when he was young, or he may feel that the renown consequent on the employment of the young man in his business will itself bring legitimate dividends.

Only Denis Silk and Robin O'Brien, reliable batsmen, when they added 35 for the first wicket. The remaining batsmen contributed a miserable 22.

Cambridge, the general rate of scoring raised the patience of about 1,000 spectators. At one stage O'Brien took 80 minutes to score six and in the second innings he was 40 minutes without scoring.

Off spinner Hugh Tayfield, after bowling 16 overs for 20 runs without a wicket, claimed four wickets in three runs in his last 40 deliveries in the first innings.

But it was Ian Smith who broke through the upper crust of the batting with a spell of three for three in six overs. In spite of cold fingers, he got length and speed with his leg breaks.—Reuter.

Harvie Ward, for instance, perhaps the best amateur golfer in the States today, is employed by Ed Lowery, who, as a little boy of ten, added for Francis Quimet in the great play-off for the 1913 U.S. Open against Vardon and Ray, in his motor business in San Francisco.

In the course of it he is enabled to play unlimited golf, and I have not the slightest doubt that his successes therein are, in a perfectly open and straightforward way, good for trade—and furthermore that, when he is not playing golf, Ward himself is working hard in the business, just like any other young man who wants to get on in the world and is presented with a fine chance of doing so.

NOBODY'S WISH

No one wishes to see the Amateur Championship confined to persons of wealth. Equally, we do not in this country at any rate wish to accept the principle of national or other associations paying the way of players in individual, or non-team, events.

We have many more amateurs here," Bachli writes, "who I am sure, if they had the chance, could bring this wonderful trophy to Australia again. I could not advocate that if a country has a player who has won a national title, and the national golf body thinks he could be a worthy representative, they could pay his expenses."

Well, that goes, as we saw last year, for Canada, New Zealand and South Africa too, and I suppose the answer is in all cases a reluctant no.

Nevertheless, it seems uncommonly hard on Bachli, whose case is so far without parallel, but may be matched again when the South African Championship, his expenses might be paid to go back and defend his title.

Anyway, we have three years to think about it. In the meantime, while commiserating with our Amateur Champion, who will be "thinking of you all on

June 4, Final day," let us also congratulate him.

He must have had numerous offers to "lend" him the where-withal or otherwise pay his way and, if so, he has declined them all. In the face of such temptations, he remains an amateur champion and as such he will always be remembered.

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Sir Winston's First Classic Success

Curragh, County Kildare, May 19.

Sir Winston Churchill gained his first classic success as a racehorse owner when his three-year-old filly, Dark Issue, won the Irish 1,000 Guineas here today.

Dark Issue, starting at 6-1, earned the former Prime Minister £2,425 by her victory. She won by half a length from the only French-trained challenger, Martine, the 3-1 favourite owned by Prince Aly Khan.

Tourvaudou, a 20-1 chance owned by Mrs G. Channing, was a further 1½ lengths away third in a field of 17.

Dark Issue was ridden by P. Canby, a leading Irish jockey, and is trained at the Curragh by Captain D. Rogers.

The race was run over one mile.

Martine, who was ridden by French jockey Roger Polacret, is entered for the English Oaks to be run at Epsom on May 27.—Reuter.

SEIXAS WINS

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WALKER CUP

Wisecracking Billy Joe Patton Leads America's Golfers

By DEREK JOHN

One of sport's biggest trophies, the Walker Cup, has just been shipped to England.

It came on the s.s. America. Also on board were the nine men who will take it back to America, the US Walker Cup golf team.

For this is one of the most one-sided of all international tournaments. No prize has ever gone the US-to-Britain-and-return trip so many times.

Since the competition began in 1922, Britain has won it only once—in 1938.

This year's tournament, which opens at St. Andrews today, looks like going the same way as the majority of the others.

Two of the men to keep it that way are lumber man Billy Joe Patton, with the cropped hair and rimless glasses, and his friend, radio Crooner Don Cherry, stars of the American team.

Billy Joe Patton, aged 33, is the fastest swinger in the golfing game. He is a wisecracking top golfer in America. Crowds follow him at every tournament not only to watch his power play, but to joke with him.

He might be shaping up for a match-winning putt—the gallery still and tensed. Suddenly Billy Joe looks up, winks, and says to the crowd: "Relax you guys. . . . Why take this game so seriously?"

But that may not happen at St. Andrews, home of the Royal and Ancient.

CONTEST FOR AMATEURS

It is a contest for amateurs. Billy Joe, twice-a-week golfer, earns at least £8,000 a year selling lumber. He said: "We are a team of working men. We are all salesmen one way or another."

Then he adds in his Dixieland drawl: "Ah won't be joking with the crowd at St. Andrews, no sir. Yuh see, ah don't want to joke in match play, not a wisecrack the other fella off his game."

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Scotland Beats Austria 4-1 At Vienna

Vienna, May 19.

A capacity crowd of 65,000 saw Scotland beat Austria 4-1 in a soccer international here today to avenge their defeat by the Austrians in the World Cup competition last summer.

In sunny but cool conditions, Scotland made a dramatic start with a goal after only 15 seconds' play. They attacked with superb combination right from the kick-off and Robertson ended the movement by flicking the ball into the Austrian net.

For the first 15 minutes Scotland gave a dazzling display, showing better form than they have done for years. But the standard deteriorated, and play became marred by countless petty infringements by both sides. At times, Italian referee Giorgio Bernardi had difficulty in keeping the players in check.

ONLY ONE

In the 57th minute the referee sent off Austrian back Barschandt for a foul on Keff, but many people thought other players deserved to be ordered off too.

Scotland's second goal came in the 43rd minute through Gordon Smith.

Billy Liddell, Scotland's centre-forward, increased the lead with a fine shot 25 minutes after half time. Three minutes from the end, Ockwilk scored a consolation goal for Austria from a free kick. A minute later, Laurie Bells headed home goal number four to complete the Scottish triumph.—Reuter.

Even Mr Weir Is Concerned

Sydney, May 19.

Hugh Weir, Australia's senior Olympic official, expressed great concern tonight over Melbourne's preparations for the 1956 Games as he addressed a meeting of the New South Wales Amateur Athletic Association.

"There's a tremendous amount of work ahead and the position is almost frightening," he said. "Although I feel we will get through, a fearful drive is necessary. I must convince the International Olympic Committee meeting at Paris in June that Melbourne is able to stage the Games successfully, but the task is not easy."

"There are many critics overseas on Australia's preparations, and much criticism is unjustified, but I must admit some is well-deserved. Melbourne has taken a long time to do anything about the Games."—United Press.

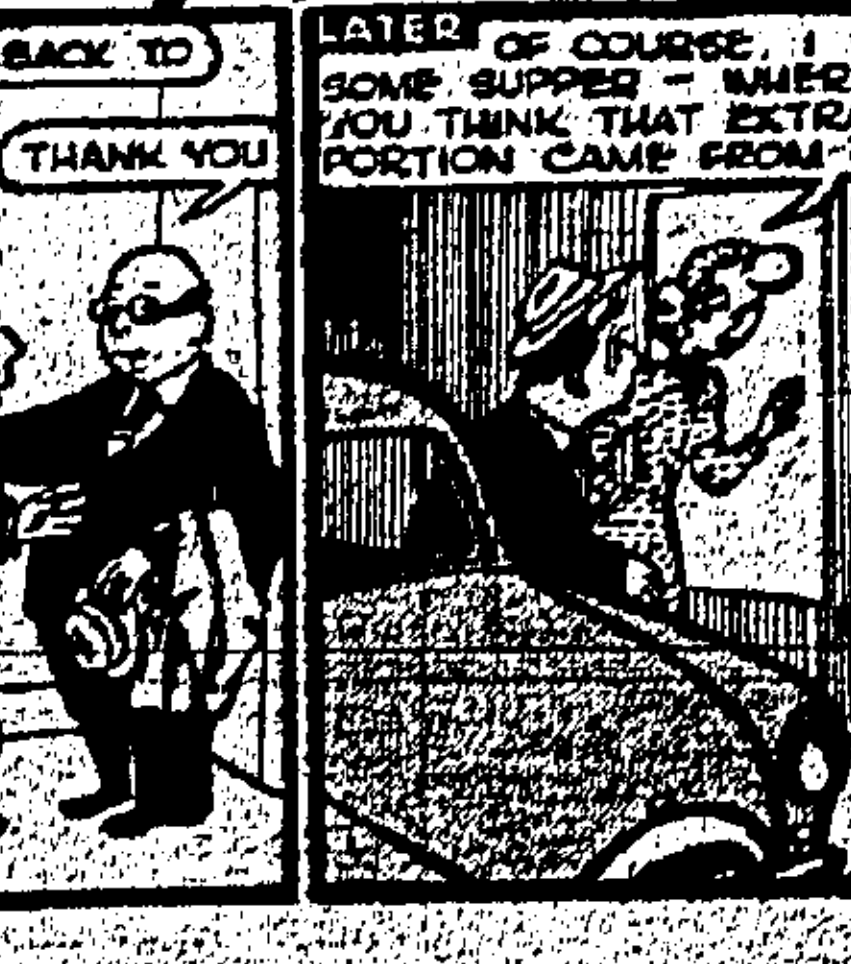
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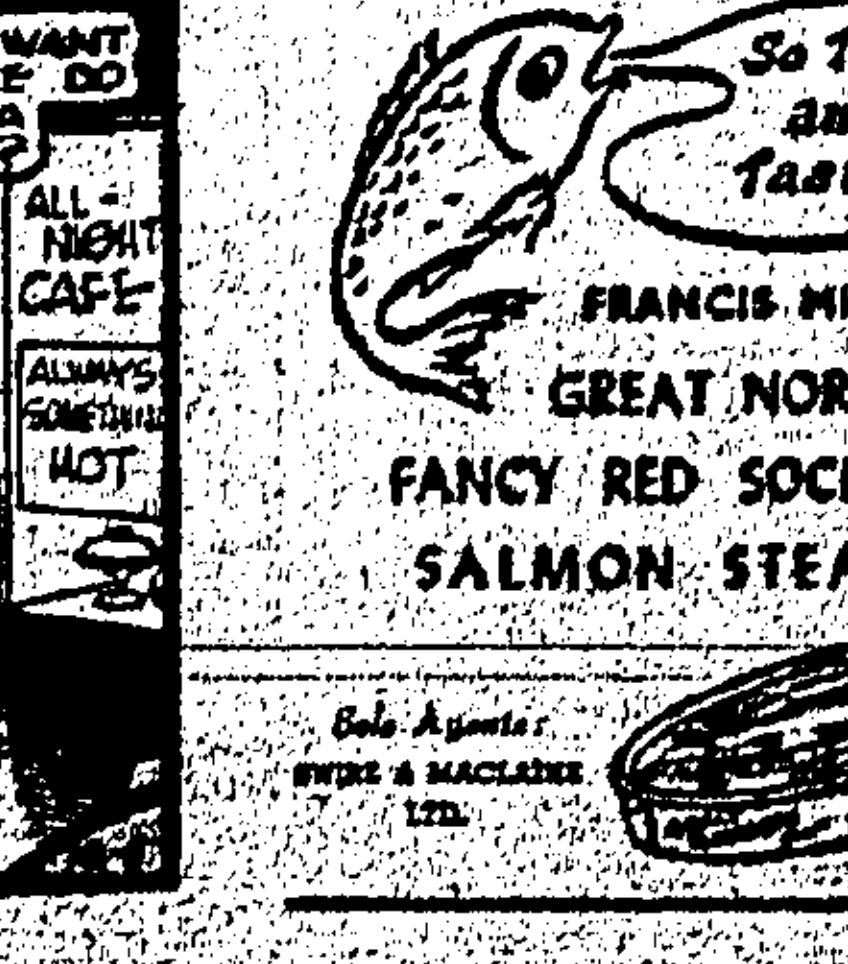
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Broke Into Church And Stole

A man who broke into the Lutheran Church at Ma On Shan, New Territories, and stole a quantity of American Red Cross foodstuffs marked for distribution in that area, pleaded guilty to a charge of sacrilege at the Criminal Sessions this morning.

Yuen Hang-ming, 27, was given two years' hard labour by Mr Justice J. Wickes. He admitted that he "broke and entered a place of divine worship" on or about March 21, and stole six bags of flour, and a quantity of rice, tea, oil, shortening and cheese.

Mr D.F.O. Mayne, Crown Counsel, told the Court that on the evening of March 20, the person in charge of the Lutheran Church at Ma On Shan, the Rev. Chun Chi-hin, looked up the church before going to bed at about 10 p.m.

When he entered the church at 7 the following morning, he found flour bags and the other items missing.

WINDOW FORCED

He noted that one of the windows had been forced open. The Police were notified. That same day, the Police came upon accused carrying a sack of flour. The sack was later identified as one of those missing from the church.

Yuen admitted stealing the things, and on his information part of the goods worth \$189.50 were recovered.

Mr Justice Wickes asked Crown Counsel "if he could say whether or not there was any distinction between stealing church property and stealing goods to be given away by the church as far as the charge was concerned."

Mr Mayne replied that he would say the act was a sacrilege so long as the property took place inside the church.

It was entirely for his Lordship's consideration, he added. Apart from the fact that there was no intention in the present case to cause any disrespect to any particular religion, the intent here was to steal goods within the church.

The goods recovered were ordered to be returned to the Lutheran Church.

Mail Notices

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Government Appointments

The following Government appointments, transfers, promotions and postings were notified in the Gazette this morning:

M. J. J. Cowperthwaite to be acting Deputy Financial Secretary (Economic) vice Mr W. Ramsay-Main; Mr R. M. Hetherington to be acting Deputy Financial Secretary (Finance) vice Mr Cowperthwaite; Mr A. Hooton QC to be acting Attorney-General during the absence of the Hon. A. Ridehalgh, QC; Mr M. Hoan to be acting Solicitor-General vice Mr Hooton; Dr Woo Hui-lien to be Medical Officer, on agreement; Dr Leung Tung-wai to be Medical Officer, on agreement; and Mr P. Peterson to be Scientific Officer, Royal Observatory, on transfer from Singapore (he arrived in the Colony on May 18).

Mr O. F. Hamilton, acting Deputy Director of Civil Aviation, has ceased to act as Director of Civil Aviation on resumption of duty of Mr M. J. Muspratt-Williams.

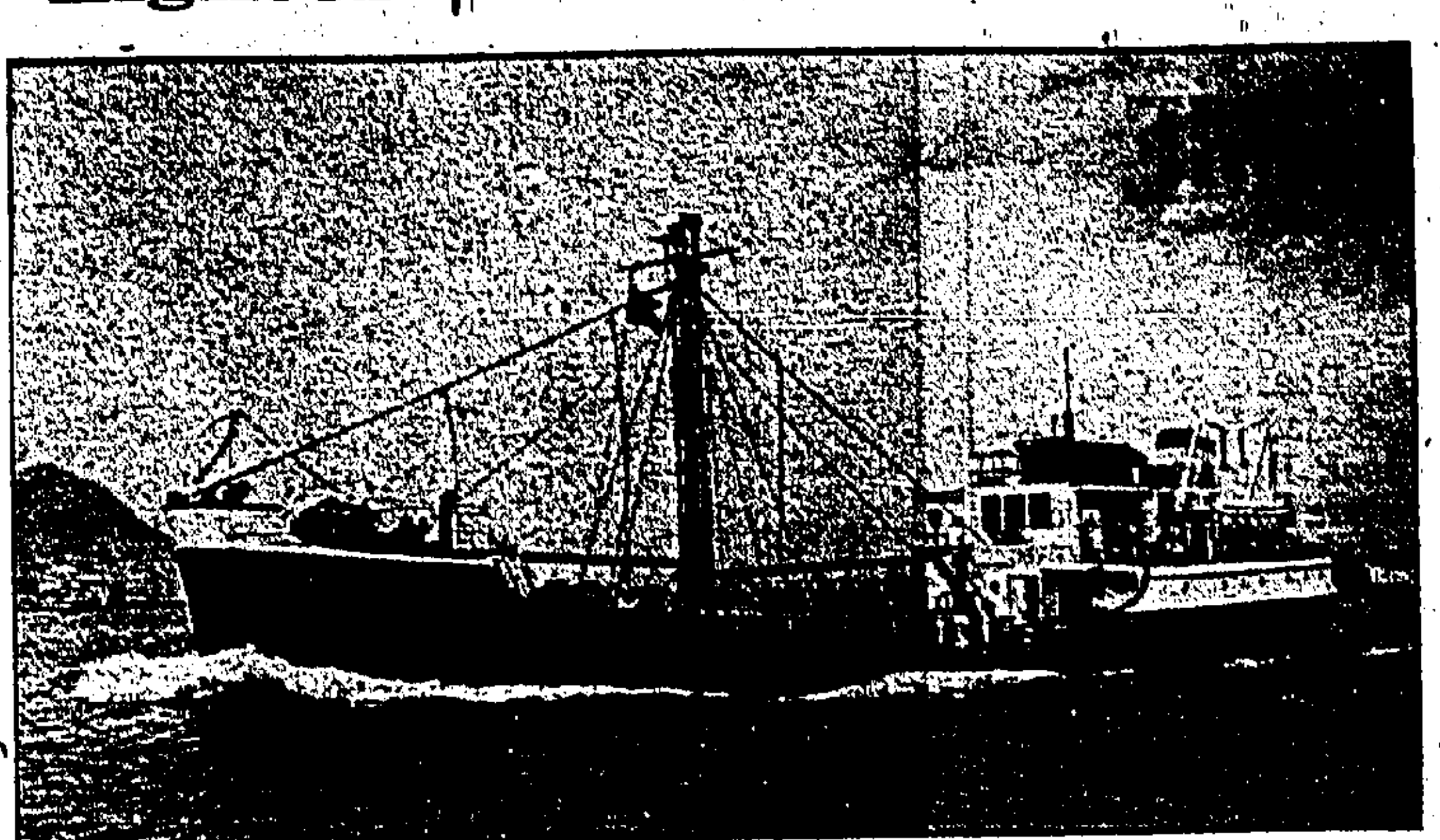
His Excellency the Governor's warrant appointing Mr B. D. Wilson to be a special magistrate has been revoked.

Mr D. M. Claassen has ceased to be an Assistant Secretary to the Urban Council.

Radio Hongkong

6. Time Signal and Programme Summary: 6.00. Children's Hour: 6.10. The Wind in the Willows by Kenneth Grahame. Adapted by May Jenkins. Part 6—"The Party". 6.30. Popular Song Parade, from London Shows: "Viewpoint". A Weekly Magazine devoted to the Arts. Edited and introduced by Janet Tomblin. Books: Review by Charles Lower. "Lost Tales All" by Graham Greene. "Wyndham Lewis" by Kenneth. "Oxford Today" by Charles Part No. 1—"Getting it straight". 6.50. Weather Report. 8. Time Signal and Programme Summary: 8.00. The News (London Relay). 8.05. Commentary (London Relay) or Special Announcements. 8.15. Radio First introduces and plays His Own Compositions Concert. Hall: 8.30. London. Studio Melodica. Frank Chapple and His Orchestra (BBCS). 9. Time Signal and Programme Summary: 9.00. The News (London Relay). 9.05. Commentary (London Relay) or Special Announcements. 9.15. Radio First introduces and plays His Own Compositions Concert. Hall: 9.30. London. Studio Melodica. Frank Chapple and His Orchestra (BBCS). 10. Record Roundabout: 10.50. Weather Report. 11.00. Signal. Radio News (London Relay). 11.15. Goodnight Music: God Save The Queen. 11.30. Close Down.

HK-Built Lighter



An Important Consideration

Bolton, May 19.

A junior Conservative minister said here tonight any action the government took to help this country's cotton industry "should not prejudice the export chances of other Lancashire industries."

Mr Harold Watkinson, Parliamentary Secretary to the Labour Ministry, said this was important "for the general wellbeing of Lancashire."

He continued: "That is why we are against the Socialist solution of a state commission to purchase imported cotton goods, with powers to refuse to purchase those giving rise to unfair competition."—Reuter.

Brewin Trust Fund Committee

Notification was given in today's Gazette that His Excellency the Governor has appointed the following to be Members of the Brewin Trust Fund Committee:—The Hon. Ngan Shing-kan, the Hon. Kwok Chan and the Social Welfare Officer, until March 31, 1957; Mr Fung Kam-chung (Chairman, Tung Wah Hospital) and Mr Kiu Ngok (Chairman, Po Leung Kuk) until March 31, 1958.

THINGS JUST HAPPEN IN VIENNA

It's Better Not To Ask Questions

Vienna, May 19.

Vienna, ten years after the end of the war, is still a city of mystery and intrigue. Although travel agencies are boosting it as the centre of the wine, women and song industry, Strauss waltzes, charm and historic beauty, it has remained under the surface a den of espionage and other under-cover activities.

The man next to you in the rattling tram may be a spy, the smart woman in the underground (subway) a courier and the decrepit newspaper vendor at the street corner may be keeping a watch on a house where agents are known to gather.

TALKS ON KASHMIR PROBLEM

New Delhi, May 19.

The Prime Minister of Kashmir, Bakshi Ghulam Mohammed, and his deputy, Ghulam Mohammed Sadiq, left for Delhi today for talks with the Indian Prime Minister, Mr Jawaharlal Nehru.

According to authoritative sources the Kashmir leaders were asked by Mr Nehru to come to Delhi to discuss the results of his talks with Mr Mohammed Ali, Pakistan's Prime Minister, concerning Kashmir's future.

The Indian and Pakistan Prime Ministers earlier this week had their third series of talks in a bid to iron out their differences over Kashmir.

The outstanding problem the two Prime Ministers have been discussing is the positioning of troops of both sides while a plebiscite is held in Kashmir.—Reuter.

Photographer Missed His Opportunity

London, May 19.

A street photographer—the men who plague city streets trying to snap passers-by—made the mistake of his life here today. Keen to make a sale as usual he approached a horsewoman in Windsor Great Park, where the European horse trials are being held, and asked her: "Would you like your picture taken, Miss?"

She shook her head smiling and replied "No, thank you."

As she rode away, colleagues told him he'd missed the chance of a lifetime.

The horsewoman was Princess Margaret.—China Mail Special.

Utter Confusion

Guests, trying to leave the cafe, found armed Russian soldiers barring all exits. Women began to scream and there was utter confusion while the Russians tried to get the two men out of their hiding place.

An Austrian police patrol, attracted by the noise, entered the cafe—and was not allowed to leave.

Finally, the Four-Power allied patrol arrived and after some arguing took the two men away. The man who flung the beer left of his own accord with the Russians. The wife also returned to its normal Saturday appearance.

Utter Confusion

This incident, which actually took place on February 5, was followed by an exchange of diplomatic notes between the Soviet and United States High Commissions. The Russians asked that two American intelligence officers had tried to "bribe and blackmail" Boris Nalivko, a Soviet diplomat, into defecting to the West. They published documents which, they claimed, had been found on the two Americans to bear out the charge.

The Americans replied that Nalivko had inquired about political asylum for himself, and that the two Americans had acted in good faith in giving him information. It was obvious, from the way armed Russians had been posted at the cafe, they added, that it had been a "put-up job" planned by the Russians using Nalivko as an "agent provocateur."

Five weeks before the Nalivko incident, a lonely man, aged about 40, was seen trudging along the Danube embankment. It was early on New Year's Day and the few people on the streets were revellers returning from New Year's Eve parties.

Two days later, police reported that Soviet authorities had asked them to help find Lieutenant-Colonel Grigor Rapolov, head of the Soviet Administration of former German assets in Austria. Investigations revealed that a man answering Rapolov's description had been seen on New Year's morning jumping into the Danube from one of the bridges spanning the river.

Ten days later, it was reported that a 20-year-old Englishman, Winter, who was Rapolov's secretary, had also disappeared since she left home for a New Year's Eve party. But her parents noted that she had taken her passport with her. Miss Winter was brought up in Russia and spoke the language perfectly.

The mystery of what really happened to Rapolov and Miss Winter has never been solved. But Vienna police are used to these "disappearances" involving one or other of the Occupation Powers. They know it is no use pursuing the matter, because if the Russians, Americans, British or French do not want them to find out what lies behind a "disappearance," they are simply forbidden to investigate beyond a certain point.

PRESS COMMENTS

If the comments of the Viennese press are to be believed, one of the much-favoured local methods of "liquidating" people is to have them fall out of express trains. It may be a coincidence or it may not, but this fate has in recent years overtaken one American, one Briton and one Frenchman in Austria.

In 1950, Captain Eugene Carpe, Naval Attache at the United States Legation at Bucharest, fell from the Orient Express in the Lug Pass tunnel while on his way to Paris. He was known to have had connections with Robert Vogelger, an American businessman sentenced for espionage to 15 years' imprisonment in Budapest only a few days before Carpe's death.

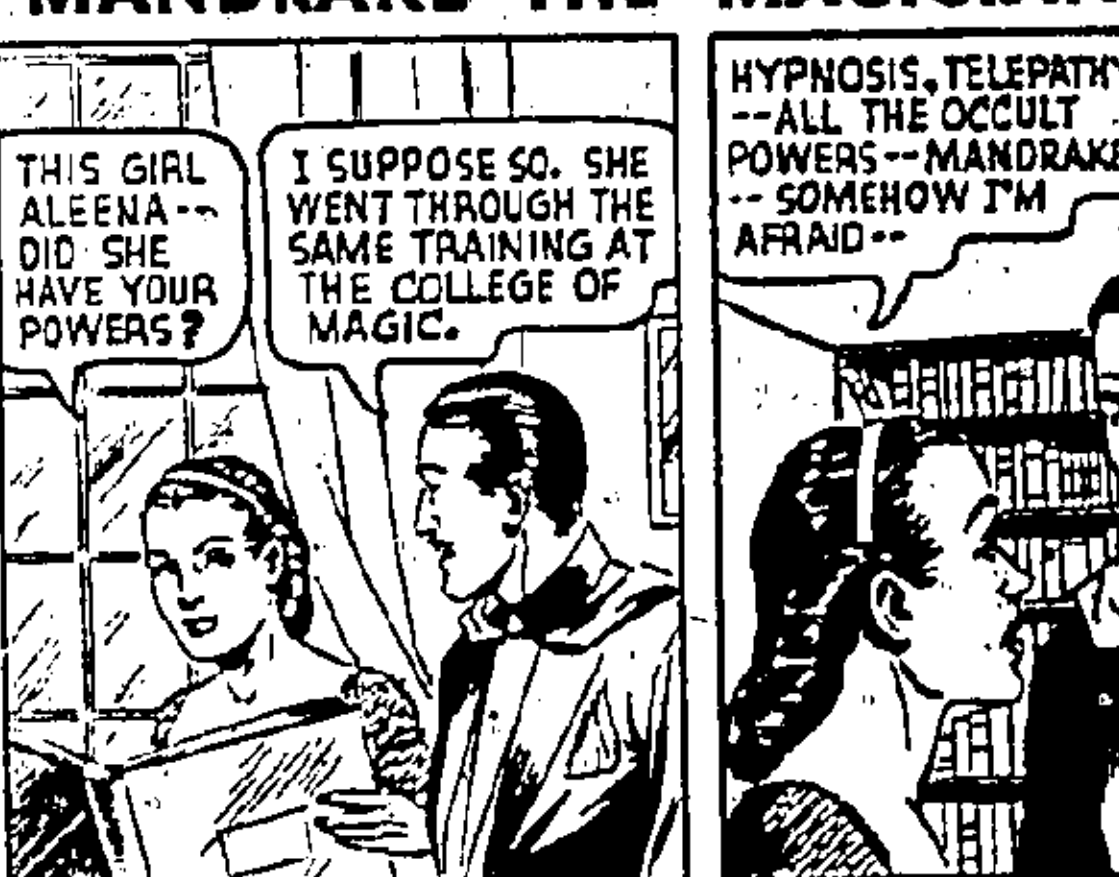
The non-Communist press called the affair a "liquidation" by Soviet agents. The Communist papers claimed that the American Secret Service had got rid of an unwanted agent. The official United States statement tended to blame an accident.

Last August, the mangled body of Lieutenant Christopher Ronald Hughes-Smith was found in the Tauern tunnel, only about 30 miles (50 kilometres) from the tunnel where Captain Carpe's body had been found. Mysterious features about Hughes-Smith's death were: he was not on the train for which he had a ticket, a bloodstained handkerchief was also found in the tunnel, and no unclaimed luggage was ever found.

Though Hughes-Smith was known to have had two suitcases with him.

The third case was that of Alain Pichard, a young Frenchman whose body was found in a tunnel in the Soviet Zone of Austria. Investigations showed that Pichard had fallen from the Orient Express (which carried Carpe) had used on January 22. The Communist press pinned his death on "the American Intelligence Service." Other newspapers pointed to the remarkable similarity between his death and the deaths of Carpe and Hughes-Smith.

MANDRAKE THE MAGICIAN



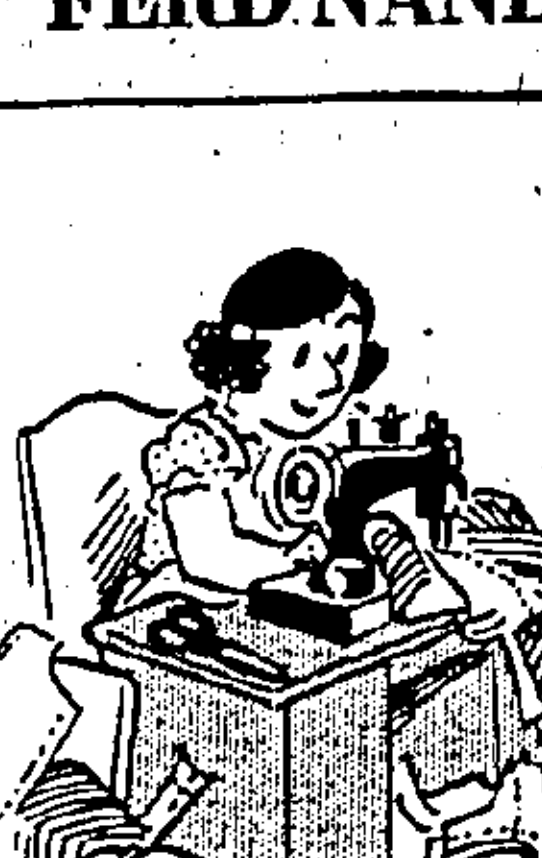
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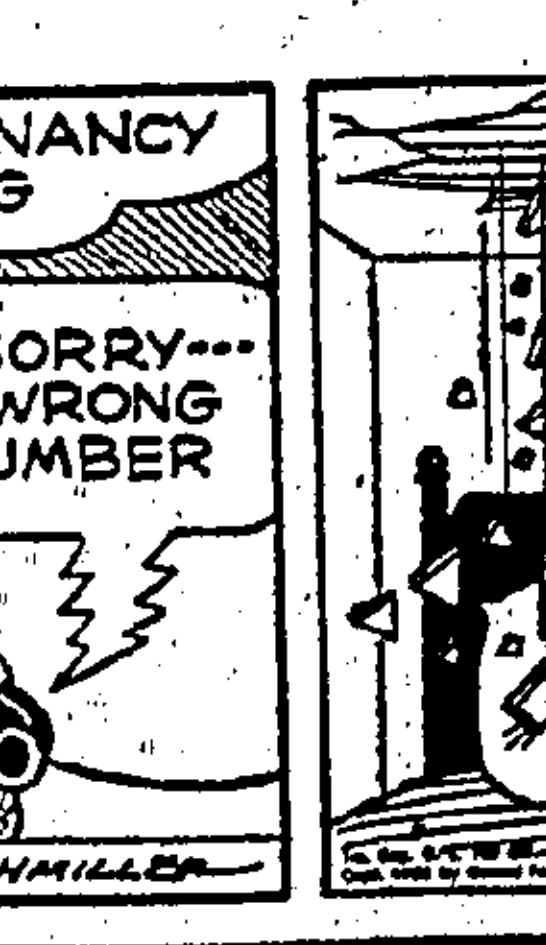
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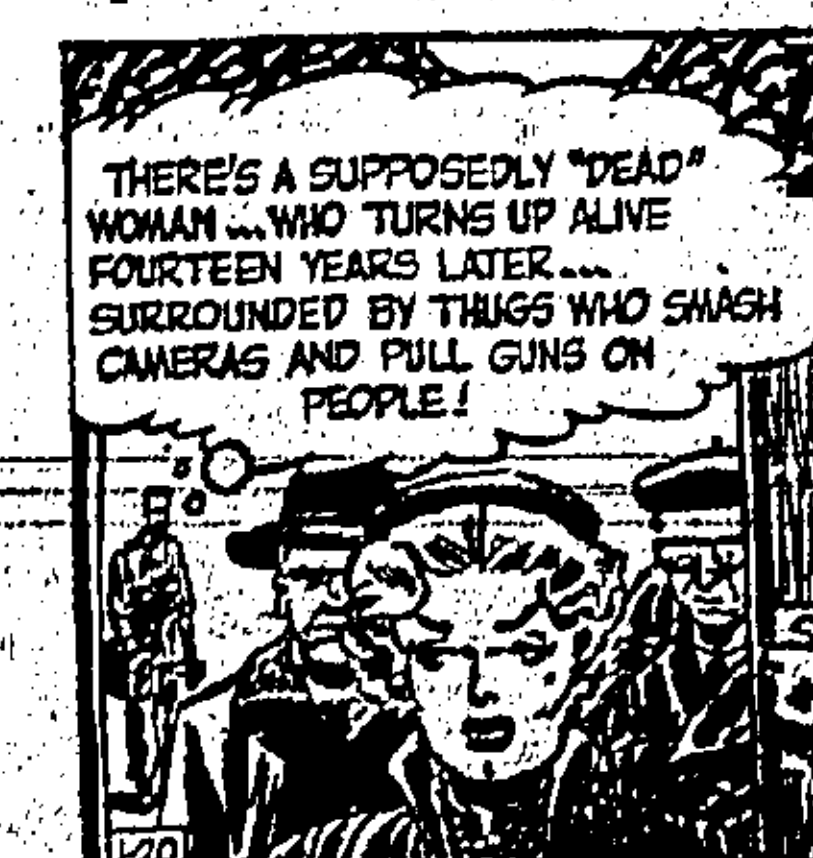
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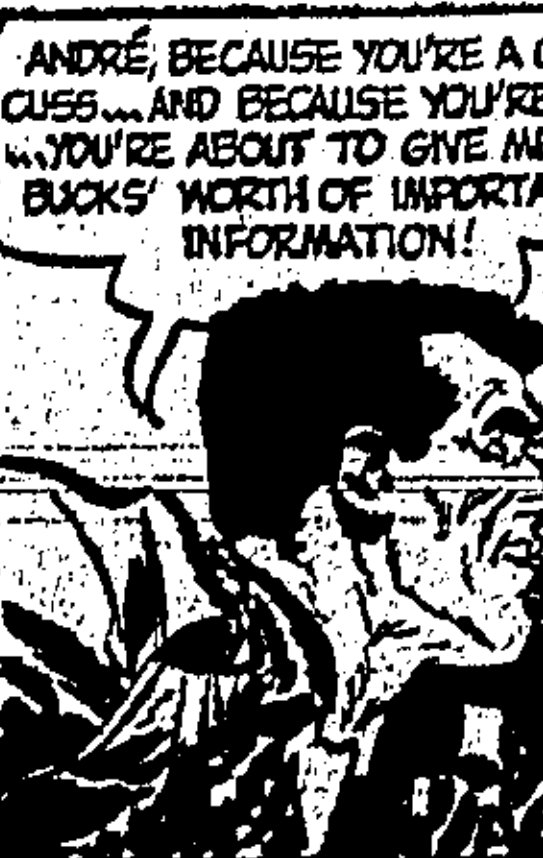
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FRIDAY, MAY 20, 1955.

Police Evict Illegal Squatters In Kowloon

Nine squatters, their families and "tenants" were evicted by the Police this morning from a piece of land in Hunghom.

The land, just behind the Hunghom Police Station in Chatham Road, was bought by the Chinese Civil Association Building Society for the erection of a multi-storeyed building to house resettled persons.

Compensation was awarded the squatters, and they were told to move out. However, all nine refused to budge; and as a result construction work on the resettlement scheme was held up for six months.

An ultimate deadline was set for today, and at about 10 a.m. several officers from the Resettlement Office delivered the final warning to the squatters.

Standing by on two sides of the land were squads of Police, armed with truncheons and riot shields.

Mr. C. J. B. Dawson, Superintendent of Police, walked in after the Resettlement officers had talked with the squatters for nearly an hour.

The squatters then protested that they needed time to pick the vegetable plots and were seen by a China Mail reporter to squat down listlessly beside the neatly cultivated rows, plucking at the plants—leaf by leaf.

POLICE MOVE IN
A final three minutes were given them by Mr. Dawson; and then the Police, led by Mr. Dawson and Chief Insp. P. Roberts, moved in—followed by squads of Sanitary Department coolies armed with crowbars, axes and picks.

There was no trouble, however, as the squatters—although protesting volubly—helped to move their furniture out of the huts.

Women PC's assisted several aged people from the huts and deposited them on chairs outside, while the S.D. coolies swarmed over the structures, ripping off the paper roof and prying apart the walls of tin-plate.

Demolition was still in progress up to the time of going to press.

Naturalisation

Today's Gazette announced that the privilege of British naturalisation has been granted to the following:

Mr. Tsong Tse-yang (merchant); Mr. E. E. dos Remedios (piling foreman); Dr. Lean Siok-heng (medical practitioner); Mr. Ip Ching-ping (proprietor of the Ching Hing Construction Co.); Ho Chin (medical practitioner); Mr. Lau Lim (managing director, Wellcome Co. Ltd.); and Miss Huie Tuk-ching (student).

HONORARY RANK

H.E. the Governor has granted the honorary rank of Major to Mr. B. C. Fied, MBE, M.C., E.D., who has been permitted to retire from the Royal Hong Kong Defence Force on attaining the normal age of retirement, the Gazette announced today.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"I just met the new girl in the neighbourhood and now you're making me go on a trip and walk out on her!"

PROTEST AGAINST FALSE ACCUSATIONS

In his printed statement to shareholders of the Nanyang Cotton Mill, Ltd., Mr. Lawrence Kadoorie, Chairman of the Board of Directors, this morning observed that protest must be made against the allegation of the employment of cheap labour in Hongkong's textile industry, and to the accusation levelled at the mills in Hongkong of passing off Japanese manufactured goods as those of Hongkong manufacture because such accusations were obviously based upon misinformation.

The statement was presented at the annual meeting of the Nanyang Cotton Mill Ltd., held in Alexandra House this morning.

It reads as follows: "The past year has been one of some difficulty for most concerns in the textile industry. In addition to the normal marketing problems, there were of course, the overriding problems of control and exchange difficulties. It is frequently the case as one country opens up its markets, another imposes restrictions."

Our main endeavours overseas must be devoted to the sale of our products and to selling wherever possible, and in this connection I am pleased to be able to state we have been expanding our activities.

As for demand, the export business offers, so far, encouraging signs. We have successfully negotiated sales in the various South East Asian markets and our products have also found their way to the Middle East, Australia, Africa and the United Kingdom. In Korea we were able to complete successfully for the F.O.A. orders under the L.A.M. agreement, and to obtain prices in line with the higher quality of our products."

You may rest assured that your Directors will continue to do their utmost to promote still further growth of the Company's activities throughout the world.

Coincidentally with the increase in exports of grey cloths to the U.K., public attention during the past few months has been focussed on the organised agitation in Lancashire designed to bear pressure on the Government to restrict imports of these fabrics from India, Japan and Hongkong. We are not concerned with the arguments pro and con against Indian and Japanese goods. We must, however, protest against the allegation made in regard to the employment of cheap labour in the Colony's textile industry and to the accusation levelled at the Mills in Hongkong of passing off Japanese manufactured goods as those of Hongkong manufacture because such accusations are obviously based upon misinformation.

NOT A SOLUTION
As the President of the Board of Trade has pointed out, imports of cheap Indian cloths may be injuring the spinning and weaving sections, but restriction of such imports will not solve the industry's main problem which is to increase exports in the face of competition from low-cost production and high tariffs.

The President of the Manchester Chamber of Commerce in his address at the Annual Meeting on February 15, expressed the viewpoint that it was important to remember that the spinners of yarns and

weavers of cloth represented only a part of the cotton industry. The bleaching, dyeing, printing, packing and finishing trades with the converter merchants made up the rest.

Owing to the inability of the spinners and weavers to increase their production to anything like the required amount, there would be imports of grey cloths which would be redundant in the finishing trade and many of the converters would lose the hold they have so far been able to maintain on the substantial re-export business.

He added that there were wider issues involved than those concerning the cotton industry alone. To restrict imports merely to maintain a strong producers/sellers market for the spinners and weavers, such as was experienced during the previous year, was not sufficient reason to disrupt the trade of the converters and finishers, which was undoubtedly a very important section of the cotton industry, as well as the trade of the import/export merchants and all the ancillary businesses concerned with foreign trading.

There were also many other industries which benefited from the sterling credit created by these imports of fabrics into the United Kingdom which were worthy of consideration.

Our friends in Lancashire appear to have overlooked the fact that the imposition of restrictions would be bound to have international repercussions which will prevail. From the viewpoint of Hongkong, the seriousness of any restrictions to industry cannot be exaggerated. In the overcrowded conditions now prevailing, unemployment will lead to grave consequences.

PRODUCTION PROGRESS

All the Company's plants have been working to capacity during the twelve months covered by the accounts, providing full employment for the operatives under our care.

We have continued to concentrate our efforts on advancing the quality of our products so that they may meet the ever-increasingly stringent requirements of our customers. While the problems and difficulties we have to face do not diminish, your Directors have devoted considerable attention towards achieving maximum economies in the operation of the Mill, by erecting additional buildings so as to continue the modifications of our equipment and to provide new plants for our expansion programme. This will bring the machinery as up-to-date as possible in all respects. Much of the work has already been finished but in order to complete our plans we are increasing the number of our spindles in the immediate future.

SEAMAN'S APPEAL AGAINST CONVICTION IS DISMISSED

The Full Court this morning held that a Trial Judge correctly exercised his discretion in allowing an amendment to a charge, and dismissed an appeal by a seaman, Julius Feldborg, against his conviction for robbery with aggravation.

Feldborg was convicted by Judge J. Reynolds at the Kowloon District Court and given 18 months' hard labour.

Appellant was represented by Mr. A. J. Clifford, instructed by Mr. R. W. Dyer, of Messrs. Descoms, Mr. W. S. Collier, Crown Counsel, represented the Crown. The Full Court comprised Mr. Justice T. J. Gould, Acting Chief Justice, and Mr. Justice J. Wicks, Acting Puisne Judge.

The judgment in part read: "The appellant was tried before a District Judge upon a charge sheet in which the Statement and Particulars of Offence were at the beginning of the trial in the following terms: 'Robbery with aggravation, contrary to Section 40(1) of the Larceny Ordinance, Cap. 210, John Eugen Svendsen and Julius Feldborg, on the 7th day of March, 1955, in this Colony, together with Lad Arthur McClew of HK\$10.00 and one book of Travellers Cheques to the value of £150."

The comp. infant McClew was a rubber planter passing through Hongkong en route to the United Kingdom. The appellant and Svendsen were seamen

working upon a ship called the "Agave". The evidence for the prosecution was carefully summarised by the learned trial judge in the written reasons given for the verdict.

One counsel appeared for both accused at the trial and he submitted at the end of the prosecution case that neither had section case answer. This submission was not accepted and, though the Crown's case was closed counsel for the defence was permitted to recall the witness, Shaw puller for further cross-examination. The first accused then gave evidence upon oath and stated that he had been with the appellant on the early morning of March 7 in Temple Street Cafe; that he had quite a lot to drink; that he left alone to go back to the ship and while on his way the appellant passed him in a taxi. The taxi stopped and picked him up and he and the appellant proceeded to the dock gates. He denied being present at or taking part in the alleged incident. At the conclusion of his evidence the trial judge acquitted and discharged him, being of opinion (as is stated in the Reasons for Verdict) that the witness's identification of him might, in the circumstances, have been mistaken.

A TECHNICALITY

The trial judge then suggested to Crown Counsel that the appellant could not be convicted in the circumstances of the offence as charged and suggested that the words "with another person unknown" be substituted for the name of the 1st accused in the charge. Crown Counsel made the application and defence counsel, who objected, was heard fully. The trial judge, who considered the amendment a mere technicality which would not prejudice the appellant, made the amendment.

The appellant gave evidence and stated that he was not with anybody when he approached the complainant, though he saw two people passing. He said that he asked complainant for a loan and told a story about how he had come possessed of the dollar notes and traveller's cheques which it is not necessary to recount, as the trial judge found it unacceptable with this finding we are in full agreement. The trial judge then made the amendment of the charge and the appellant was convicted of the offence as amended and sentenced to 18 months' imprisonment.

A number of grounds were included in the notice of appeal of which all except one (which does not merit discussion) relate to the amendment of the charge. It is the opinion of the court that the amendment of the charge was justified and that the appellant would be best served by making the amendment before he gave evidence. As to the suggestion for amendment coming from the trial judge, the court is of opinion that it was fully within his discretion to do so and that the requirements mentioned in R. v. West and ors 32 C.A.R. at 180 were fulfilled. There the Court of Criminal Appeal said:

"The learned judge was, in our opinion, entitled to exercise his discretion in directing the amendment, but he clearly should have exercised his discretion in allowing the defence to express their views upon the matter before deciding to do so."

ACCOUNTS

Turning to the Accounts, it will be observed that the balance carried forward from the previous year's working was \$1,325,242.73. To this must be added the Balance shown in the Profit and Loss Account amounting to \$1,888,586.01. After making due allowance for the appropriation of the Interim Dividend of 40 cents per share, free of tax, absorbing \$800,000, there is a balance available of \$2,613,828.74.

It is the Board of Directors' intention to propose that this sum be dealt with in the following manner: 1. To paying a final dividend of 80 cents per share free of tax, on fully paid up shares amounting to \$900,000; 2. To carry forward to next year's account \$1,713,828.74.

STOWAWAYS EXPELLED

Two German nationals, who stowed away on the m.v. Isabel, from Vietnam to Hongkong, were cautioned and ordered to be expelled by Mr. Ho-ning Lo at Central this morning.

The defendants, Friedrich Wilhelm Wiedemeier, 23, of Balde Post, Leunstruth, Westphalia, and Augustin Schmid, 21, of Burlingden, Neu Uim, were found on the Isabel on May 8, while the ship was en route from Haiphong and Hongkong. The Court was informed by the Prosecution that the two men would be repatriated to West Germany on Monday by plane.

Dead Body Of Young Woman Discovered

The dead body of 18-year-old Evelyn Fung, believed to be the daughter of Dr. Fung who was murdered a few years ago by robbers in Castle Peak Road, was found by some school boys this morning on the hillside at Mission Road near the Tang King To Industrial School, Kowloon.

The boys, who belonged to the Tang King To Industrial School, were playing on the hillside when they came across the body dressed in a Chinese gown and with a handkerchief over her face.

They immediately informed Father N. Carrato of the School, who in turn informed the Police.

Police went to interview a man who the believe may be able to help them with their inquiries.

Had Brandy Bottle Tied To His Leg

Escapee's Fight With Policeman In The Sea

On a surprise search at the Yuen On Wharf last Monday night, Sub-Inspector R. B. Bayless and another inspector caught Chung Wah, 31 with two bottles of brandy tied to his left leg with strong rubber bands and a third bottle in his pocket.

The man was arrested and placed in the custody of Wu Ho-nan, PC 3938. Because of the commotion, a large crowd gathered. When the constable turned his head, defendant made a running dive off the wharf.

The Policeman immediately chased after him plunged into the water and soon caught hold of him. Chung then gave the constable a vicious kick in the abdomen. Wu doubled up and sank, swallowing a lot of salt water.

Meanwhile Defendant swam to the other side of the wharf. Exhausted as he was, the constable swam after him.

POLICEMAN RESCUED

Sub-Inspector Bayless, seeing this jumped into a sampan and managed to rescue PC 3938.

The area was surrounded and Defendant was re-arrested. Taken to Central Police Station, he was charged with possession of dutiable commodities, assault on Police and escape from lawful custody.

In court this morning, he was fined \$100 or four weeks by Mr. Poon Yan-hoi on the first charge, and one month hard labour on each of the other charges. He was additionally bound over in \$750 for two years.

W. Ho-nan, PC 3938, was commended by the Magistrate for his good work.

Sub-Inspector Bayless prosecuted.

Heavy Fine For Holding Two Identity Cards

Tung Shek-lun, alias Tung Shek-kwong, 37, was fined a total of \$350 or 13 weeks by Mr. Kin-shing Lo at Central this morning for possessing two identity cards, giving false information to his employers and to the Commissioner of Registrar of Persons.

Prosecution told the Court that defendant was employed as a factory labourer by the British American Tobacco Company on April 18, 1950. He applied for and obtained an identity card through this Company. Defendant later joined the Hongkong Tramway Limited as a car cleaner, and he obtained another identity card under another name on March 28 through this Company.

On April 28, defendant was dismissed and he wrote to the Registrar of Persons returning the identity card he had secured from the HK Tramway Company. Defendant said he was returning the card as he was going to Red China. It was later ascertained that he had not gone to Red China and that in fact he was at his old job with BAT, and was using his first identity card.

Tenders Requested For New Ferry Piers

Tenders for the construction of new Star Ferry piers were called for in a notice appearing in the Gazette this morning. They are for the construction of new piers at Tsimshatsui, Kowloon, and the Central Reclamation, Hongkong. Tenders will be received at the Colonial Secretariat up to noon on July 8.

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